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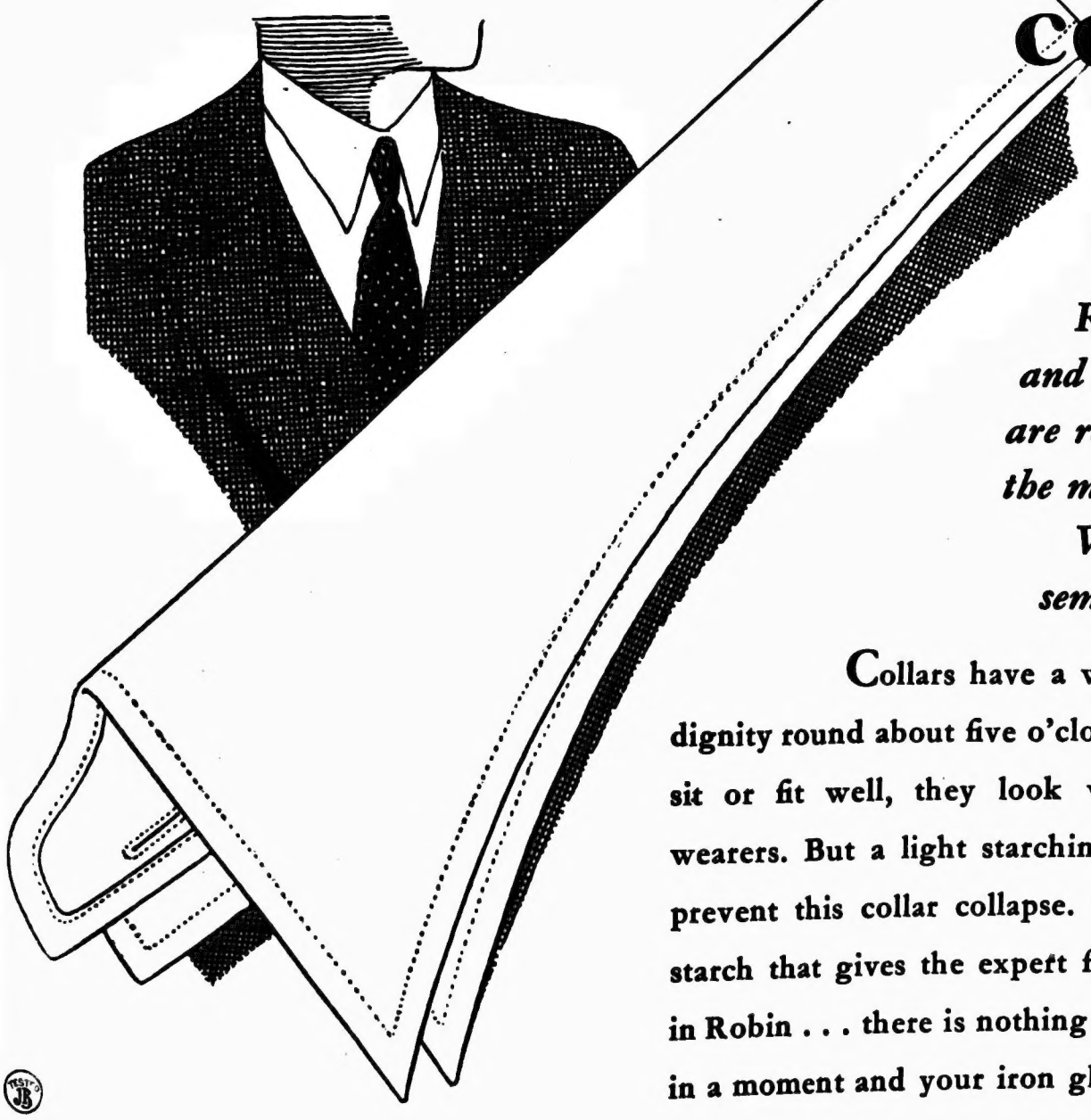

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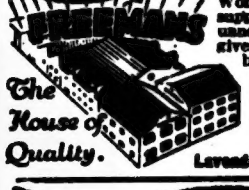

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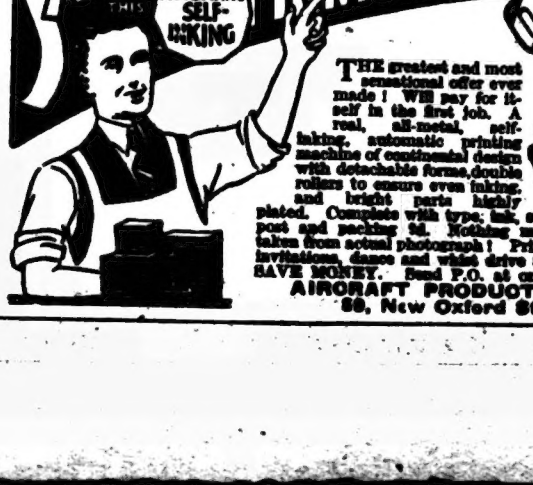

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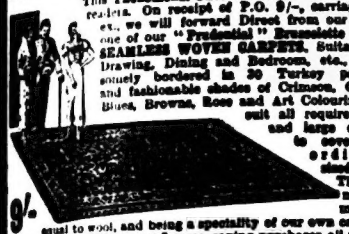

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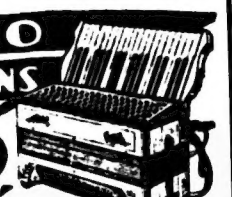

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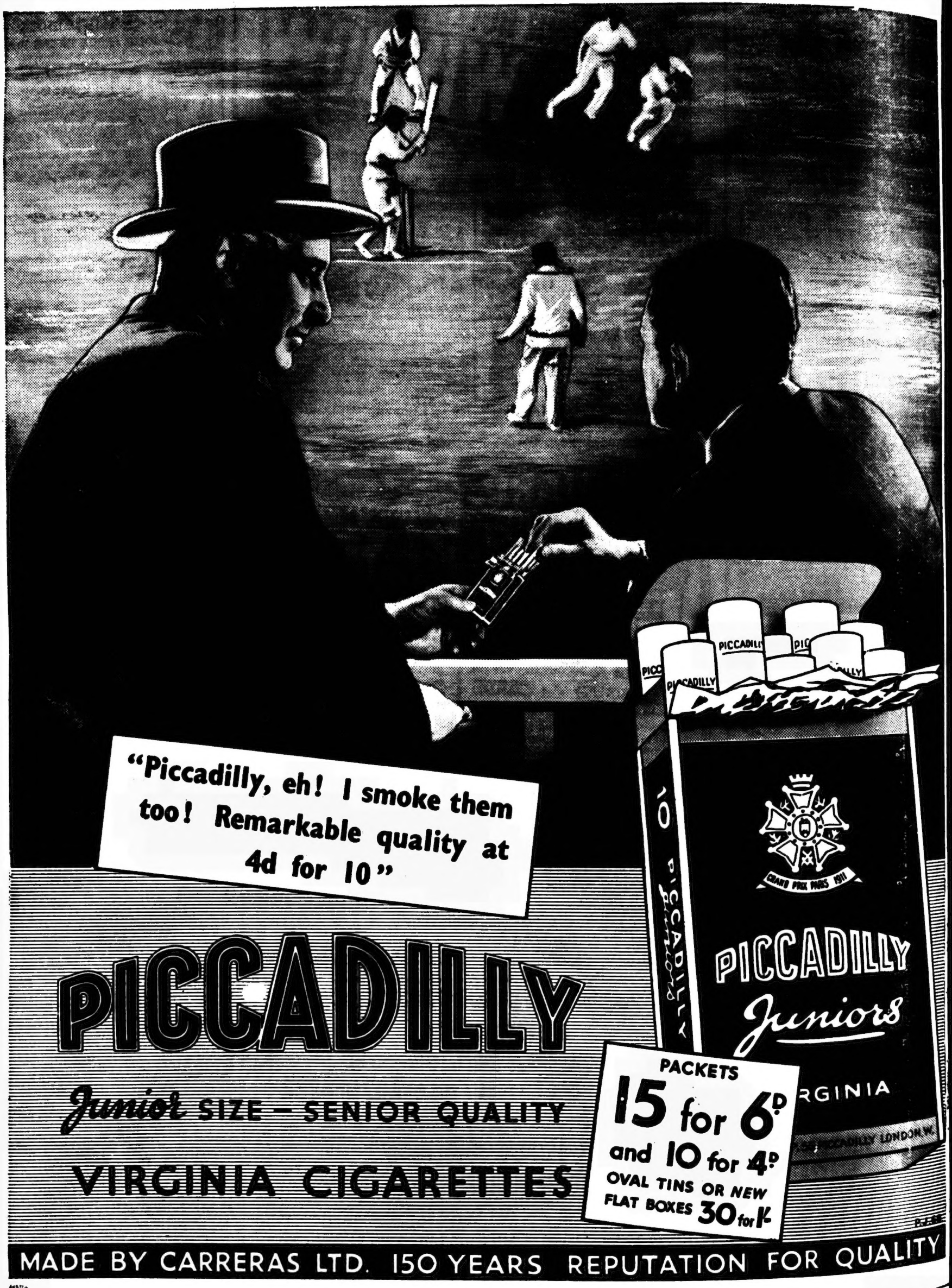

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Many neurotics go to the so-called psycho-analyst for advice. In many cases he is only the old witch-doctor in new guise

New Powers of Darkness

The Curse of Fortune-telling

I DON'T think there is any limit to the danger that may be caused by people setting up a deliberate business of pretending to be in touch with the Powers that Be with regard to the future. There is even the possibility of suicide resulting in a case of neurotic women."

We welcome these words of Mr. F. O. Langley, the Clerkenwell magistrate. They constitute a warning against the new "Powers of Darkness" that all should heed.

To-day, one has only to scan the personal columns of some of our daily papers to find advertisements of ladies and gentlemen who will for a slight (and sometimes substantial) consideration cast your horoscope, tell your fortune, or arrange for you to communicate with those who have left this earth.

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We wonder whether it has ever crossed the minds of the publishers of such advertisements as to whether they are inviting, invoking, and encouraging a crime?

Over one hundred years ago it was necessary to provide for rogues and vagabonds and to impose penalties for occupying this unenviable position.

"Every person" pretending or professing to tell fortunes or using any subtle craft, means, or device, by palmistry *or otherwise*, to deceive and impose on any of His Majesty's subjects was deemed to be a rogue and a vagabond "within the true intent and meaning of the Act."

It is a sweeping clause because of the word "otherwise," as under it any person attempting to "deceive and impose" on any of His Majesty's subjects fell under its ban. The astrologer who predicts the future, the spiritualist who professes to have super-human power and to hold communication with the dead, the palmist who pretends to regulate your life, anticipate your future and even direct it by merely observing the human line, are amenable to the law.

Our ancestors clearly feared the Powers of Darkness more than we do to-day. Two hundred years ago they passed the Witchcraft Act which prescribed a very unpleasant penalty for anyone who "pretended to exercise or use any kind of witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment, or conjuration, or undertook to tell fortunes or pretend from his or her skill or knowledge in any occult or 'crafty' science to discover where or in what manner any goods or chattels supposed to have been stolen or lost may be found."

It is interesting to analyse the words witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment, and conjuration. The modern dictionary defines sorcery as "divination by the assistance of evil spirits: enchantment: magic: witchcraft."

Conjuration as the act of "summoning by a sacred name or solemnly: enchantment." It appears that evil powers were invoked by witchcraft and sorcery, and the powers of good by enchantment or conjuration.

We doubt whether the fools who go to fortune-tellers, spiritualists, bogus astrologers, and their like are any more intelligent than their ancestors of two hundred years ago, and that perhaps is why the laws still remain on the Statute Book.

We would like to take this opportunity of warning these gentry that in cases where people profess to tell fortunes it is not necessary to prove intention to deceive. The offence is committed, whether the accused honestly believes he possesses the powers claimed by him or not.

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There is also a recorded conviction in a case where an individual held a spiritualistic séance and professed to have superhuman power and to hold communication with the dead.

We would also remind the light-hearted astrologer who sends around circulars offering to give advice and to tell fortunes by his "subtle craft" that he is flouting the law, as others have found to their cost.

In those somewhat primitive days the State attempted to prevent her citizens from being what we now call, colloquially, swindled, whether that swindling took the form and method we have described or whether it was by equally expensive methods which we now know as card-sharping, thimble-rigging, spotting the lady, and last but not least squaring a race or doping a horse.

It was not so much gambling that mattered—that is to say, fair gambling—but the opportunities which occurred for cheating.

So, close on four hundred years ago, our ancestors prohibited the following games: Ace of hearts, pharaoh or faro, basset, hazard, passage, and all games played with dice or like things, roulet or roly-poly, but those most respectable of ancient and modern games known as backgammon and dominoes were excepted.

It was an offence for any "manner of person or persons of what degree, quality, or condition soever he might be, for gain, or lucre, or living, to keep any common house for the purpose of promoting such games."

They were wise in 1542 and looked to the future, because they also prohibited "any" unlawful new game hereafter to be invented."

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Our ancestors, however, were spared that modern infliction—the so-called psycho-analyst. This word will not be found in any modern dictionary and must not be confused with the reputable psychologist who bases his diagnosis, and prescribes his treatment on the mental and nervous condition of his patient as well as upon his physical condition.

The so-called psycho-analyst, on the other hand, is a reader of dreams, and in many cases which have come to our knowledge he is undoubtedly a rogue and a vagabond within the meaning of the Act, qualified medical man though he may be.

To predict a terrible future unless a certain course of treatment is accepted is obviously little removed from fortune telling. To suggest that certain dreams are a foreboding, indicating insanity or possibly death—unless the psycho-analyst's advice is taken—is undoubtedly "subtle craft, means or device" to "deceive and impose" on His Majesty's subjects.

Mr. Langley spoke of neurotic women. In these days of rush and nervous strain, noise and hard work, is there anyone, male or female, who is not neurotic up to a point?

He also expressed the view that there is no limit to the danger that may be caused by "fortune telling."

We wonder how many neurotic people have been driven into insanity or prison as the result of the "professional" advice of fortune-tellers, so-called psycho-analysts, and the rest of their kidney.

The laws passed long ago to deal with such people are still on the Statute book.

We say they should be invoked.

STRAIGHT FROM THE SHOULDER . . .

A Great Work for Sir John Simon

Why Your Bacon is Dearer

The Boy they Left to Die

WE welcome the announcement that Sir John Simon is to review the whole system of juvenile crime as one of his first tasks as Home Secretary. As our readers know, we have long protested that this pressing problem has never received the attention it deserves, and though it was hoped that the Children and Young Persons Act of 1932 would bring about much-needed reforms, it is a lamentable fact that the Act has not always been interpreted in the best interests of those for whom it was ostensibly framed.

Sir John Simon will, we hope, deal generously with the young offenders

All talk

There has been a lot of talk about taking over old country mansions and founding new schools where young delinquents may be trained in accordance with the "public school spirit;" but while this is encouraging enough, hard facts show that the real issue is being shirked.

There are still far too many cases where children who are simply high-spirited or mischievous are packed off for years of detention among juvenile offenders of very different calibre.

Bad companions

Again, it has just been revealed at Manchester—owing to the offer of a probationers' home by a local firm—that at present offending youths are sent to a mission home where destitute children are housed!

Why should lads whose only misfortune is poverty be brought up with young offenders?

Discretion, please!

We suggest that Sir John Simon should watch particularly for abuses of those clauses of the Act which empower any "approved" person to go to a Court and ask for a child to be removed from the custody of parents or guardians and imprisoned for years in an institution.

If he can bring about better administration of the Act he will have done a great work.

The need, as we see it, is not for bigger and better institutions, but for greater discrimination to ensure that harmless youngsters shall not be sent to such places needlessly.

Good start

Fortunately we may hope that Sir John Simon will be a great success at the Home Office, judging by the mercy without sloppiness which he has displayed in one of his first official acts.

He has released a miner, who was sent to jail for a month for stealing coal, after being told that the man's child had become dangerously ill through fretting

We like both the speed and humanity which Sir John has displayed, for one is of little use without the other.

Terrible threat

And whatever the evils arising out of the refusal of unemployed youths to attend training courses, we prefer them to the remedy sought by the Tynemouth Board of Assessors, which threatens to resign unless it is given power to prosecute those juveniles.

Out of eight cases in which they recommended a prosecution the Ministry of Labour gave its consent to only two. We are delighted to hear it.

We have always disliked the compulsory aspect of unemployed training centres.

We dislike still more the notion that refusal to attend them can be regarded as a crime.

Not allowed to work

And the new Minister of Mines should close a loophole in the coal quota scheme.

Thousands of miners have been sent home during the last few weeks, especially in Yorkshire and the Midlands, because the pit-owners had exhausted the quota they were authorised to produce and despite the fact that they had orders which would have kept the men at work.

Easy riches

A further irony is that some mine-owners are making big incomes by closing their pits down and selling their quotas to other collieries instead of producing the coal themselves.

And, as we have already revealed, much the same topsy-turvydom is to be found in other industries under the quota.

Dearer bacon—and why

Even that homely foodstuff bacon is affected. When you go to buy it you will find a shortage exists and will probably have to pay more.

For certain unscrupulous producers are exploiting Mr. Walter Elliot's marketing plans to create a scarcity.

We are looking to him to save our bacon.

Street pests to ban

But let us hope at last that the housewife may be saved the annoyance of bullying hawkers.

The National Chamber of Trade and the Association of Municipal Corporations want the Government to tighten up the law relating to doorstep trading.

They suggest that hawkers, in addition to an ordinary pedlar's licence, should have to obtain a certificate from the police or town council—thus enabling the bad characters to be easily combed out.

Where's the doctor?

Surely there is gross looseness in the law controlling the use of the title "Doctor"!

While it is illegal for a man or woman to use Dr. before their name and practise as a medical adviser unless they are fully qualified, there are no means of preventing its use in the name of a business, even though there may be nobody connected with the firm who has any medical qualifications.

In this way the public is profoundly misled, and on a much bigger scale than it ever could be by an individual "quack."

It believes it is dealing with a firm backed by a medical authority, and no doubt is convinced that it is getting a more reliable article than one bought in an ordinary shop.

Those germ carriers

People who regard unbroken records of school attendance as highly praiseworthy will be shocked by the observations of Dr. Lilian Johnston, a Durham medical officer.

She declares that children are often the source of disease infection through attending school when they should be in bed.

We think her warning might be given a wider application. Many grown-up persons are at work in factories and offices when they, too, ought to be in bed. It might help to check the spread of infection if employers took a more sympathetic view of non-attendance in their cases.

Left to die

And the stupid notion that the victim of a street accident should not be moved until the arrival of a policeman or doctor is still widespread.

The father of a little boy who was run over by a motor-car and died later complains that when he was called to the scene he found that no one had offered to pick the child up, merely because of that erroneous idea.

Surely an Act of Parliament should not be necessary to compel citizens to obey one of the most urgent instincts of humanity?

Life still cheap

And a coroner's jury at Barnsley seems to have treated with strange complacency a fatal accident to a miner, who was run over by runaway tubs. A fall of dirt had caused the snapping of a lashing chain and it was said there had been five or six similar mishaps in the same place during the past few months.

Yet it does not appear to have occurred to anyone to repair the defective safety appliances. The jury were apparently quite content with an undertaking that in future the chains would be periodically examined, but when a man's life has been needlessly lost wisdom after the event is poor consolation to the bereaved.

Real tribute

Then, in a sad little event at Newcastle, there is a lesson for those misguided people who impoverish themselves to provide a funeral they can afford.

By giving a child a simple, flowerless funeral, the parents have ensured that his name will be perpetuated for ever in the hospital where doctors fought for his life—the money thus saved providing nursery chairs and tables for the wards.

Flowers, by all means. But a practical tribute is usually the better one.

The Fragrant Minute.

HABITS

GET out of your habits once in a while. Alter the cut of your clothes and their style. You always wear blue? Try green for a change. You fear that you'll look peculiar and strange? But change is a tonic, you need it, poor dear. You've been in a rut for many a year, and it shows in your face, it shows in your eyes. Get out of your habits, that's what I advise.

You always read books of one certain kind? No wonder you've got a dyspeptic mind! Now start right away and alter your reading. A radical change of food you are needing. You're anæmic, my friend, and change is a tonic. Best take it before your state becomes chronic.

Get out of your habits. Yes, even the nice! A good one, remember, may turn to a vice if it shuts up the mind and deadens the ears and harrows a rut for monotonous years.

Wilhelmina Stitch.

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Friends in need

We note with pleasure that the students of the University of Wales, moved by the suffering in the distressed areas, are going to spend their vacation raising funds to provide holiday camps for a thousand stricken folk.

We presume the carping critics of modern youth will keep silent about this excellent self-sacrifice.

Sad and bad

One such critic, after complaining that young people will neither read nor think, has a tilt at modern novelists.

"I know two or three girls," he proclaims, "who have achieved real fame by writing novels; but they cannot spell, know nothing about punctuation, and nothing about anything outside the jargon of the cheap romantic gush that they call fiction."

It is very sad, but ever since "Ouida's" day lady novelists have been denounced and still the hussies keep on writing. What's worse, while women read these novels they won't leave off.

Servants wanted

We see that the servant shortage is becoming still more acute. Seaside boarding houses are badly hit, many private hotels being run with a skeleton staff.

One reason, no doubt, is that "personal" servants are refused unemployment pay in the winter though they have to pay contributions while in work during the summer. That is a glaring and gross injustice which the Government has practised too long.

Poor homes, poor pay

On the other hand, some Yorkshire farmers have just declared that girls will not enter their service because their farms are remote from kinemas.

That is obviously not the reason for lack of servants in the towns. Maybe the bad conditions and the worse pay which many girls have experienced have given an undeserved bad name to all employers.

Pleasant change

Among wills recently published, that of the late Mr. W. H. L. Alfred, a Croydon dealer, is a refreshing contrast to the pettiness which is all too common.

Having no relatives, he left the bulk of his £7,000 estate to be divided among his employees, feeling that he was only being just "to those who by their industry and attention to my interests have been of so much help."

We know that many other employers have remembered their staffs in their wills, but there have been astonishing exceptions.

And fortunes pass all too often into the hands of those who have never lifted a finger to earn them.

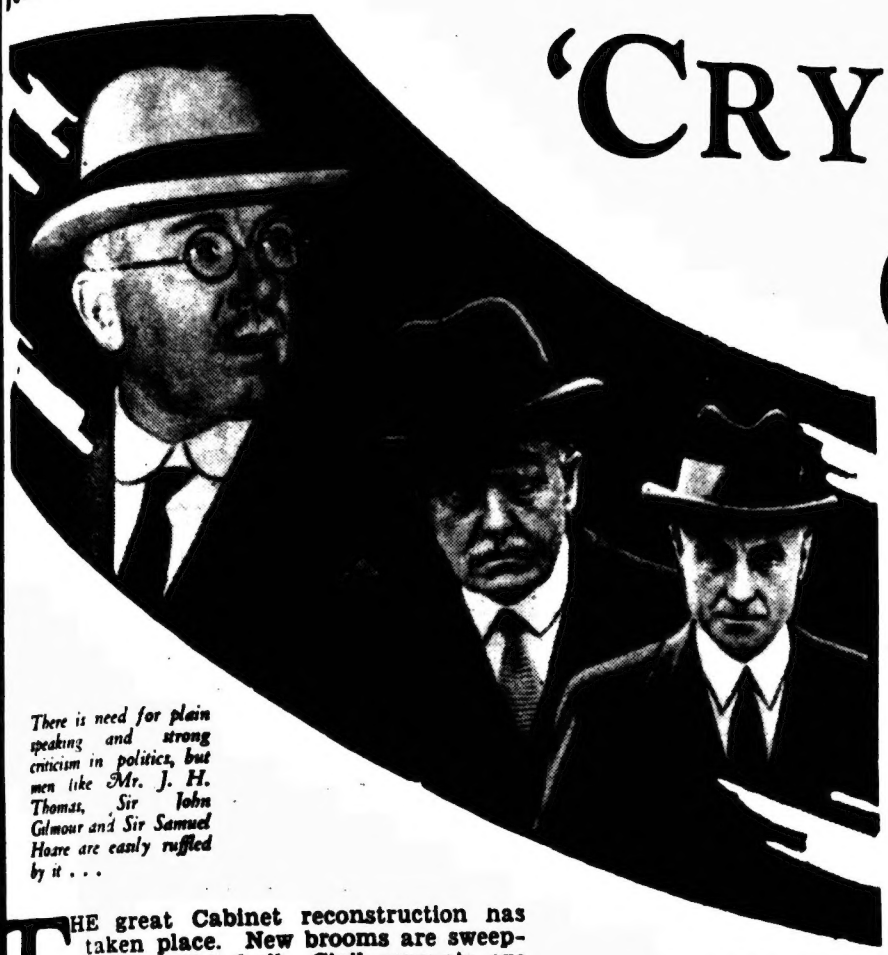
An old, old story

A trick we have exposed before has been played on a Paisley traveller by a man to whom he gave a lift in his car and ten shillings to help him on his way.

The man repaid the kindness by telegraphing in the traveller's name to the latter's wife, stating that the car had broken down and would she wire £8 to the post office?

Charles Cross, the trickster, has been sentenced at Wolverhampton to twelve months' jail, and we again warn readers against this old swindle.

'CRY-BABY' Cabinet Ministers



There is need for plain speaking and strong criticism in politics, but men like Mr. J. H. Thomas, Sir John Gilmour and Sir Samuel Hoare are easily ruffled by it . . .

by **Ernest Hunter**

the famous political correspondent

THE great Cabinet reconstruction has taken place. New brooms are sweeping in Whitehall. Civil servants are learning how to manage, or to be managed by, their new chiefs. But will it make any real difference? Or is it simply a case of the more they change the more they are the same?

Very important is the question of whether the changes will produce a different spirit in Cabinet Ministers. Is there any hope that under Mr. Baldwin's leadership the heads of great departments of State will take their medicine of criticism with a trifle more sportsmanship than did those whom they have superseded?

Nothing is more significant than the querulous, hectoring way in which some modern Cabinet Ministers receive any reflection, however mild, upon their conduct of public affairs.

In the old days politicians expected to be hit hard by their opponents. And it was in that rough school of criticism that British democracy developed.

In these puny days modern politicians hardly know what criticism means at all. For the good of their souls they ought to be compelled to go through a course of study on the wordy battles of the past.

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They ought to read what was said of Palmerston, Disraeli and Gladstone, and what they said in reply. They ought to live again the great controversies between Joe Chamberlain and Lloyd George, to hear the cries of "Judas Iscariot," to listen to the bitter, caustic speeches of the Irish Nationalist M.P.s on the rampage.

The late Prime Minister once presented me with a copy of the famous Runnymede letters which Disraeli contributed to the *Times*. If any modern politician said of another one-tenth of the biting, blistering things which "Dizzy" said of his opponents, in those brilliant essays, he would be running to the Law Courts for protection.

To-day the politician imagines himself a most superior, sacrosanct person entitled to be safeguarded against the vulgar arrows of political opposition.

Behind the scenes there is continual muttering about the need for Press laws to prevent political commentators from saying things which make it uncomfortable for those who temporarily occupy Ministerial positions. At least three or four Front Bench men look longingly to the countries where the State has regimented and controlled the free expression of public opinion.

The truth is that there is growing up in this country a new theory of the Divine right of politicians, an idea that it is the bounden duty of everyone to accept with unquestioning obedience the decrees and dictates, the interpretations of policy, which come from those who control the affairs of the country. It is an ever-threatening danger to free institutions, and must be stamped out before it is too late.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has left 10, Downing Street, but he has not gone far away. If it is true that he is to continue as Chairman of the Committee of Imperial Defence, with his headquarters just across the way in Whitehall Gardens, he has still ample opportunity to grumble and growl about the wickedness of those who dare to criticise his doings.

The late Premier has, indeed, been the most touchy of all the Cabinet Ministers. And this is strange, because no man has, in the past, said such strong things about his opponents in the days when he himself was outside the magic ring of power.

Ill-health, worry and loneliness were no doubt contributory factors to Mr. MacDonald's growing irritation. Perhaps now that he is removed from the direct line of fire he may become more reasonable and regard criticism with the impersonal toleration which would make him so much more effective in reply.

. . . more men like the tolerant, reasonable, Mr. Anthony Eden are needed

Mr. Baldwin takes his place. After many years in public life, he still remains a mystery man. No one has yet finally decided whether he is just a plain, simple countryman (as he claims for himself) or one of the most astute Machiavellian influences in British politics.

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One thing is certain. He is much more equable and quieter in his mood and manner than his predecessor.

Mr. MacDonald was never still. I heard the other day how, after he had had a very gruelling time, there was a missed appointment. There was ten minutes to spare. Immediately he turned impatiently to his secretary and asked how they could fill in the time. He never relaxes. Mr. Baldwin does not make the same mistake. All is quiet at No. 10 when he reigns.

For this reason Mr. Baldwin can be expected to be less annoyed than was Mr. MacDonald with the attacks of his opponents.

He may squirm in private. He will never show it in public.

Sir John Simon is now at the Home Office. Sauve, polite, rarely ruffled, he will be a complete change from Sir John Gilmour, who was irascible and short-tempered to the last degree. Many times Sir John Gilmour was on the point of losing his Betting Bill because of his attempts to ride rough-shod over his opponents. Sir John Simon goes to the opposite extreme. He is too silky.

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Sir Samuel Hoare, who is in charge of the Foreign Office, is another of the querulous type. In his debates with Mr. Winston Churchill on India, Sir Samuel's voice almost rose to a shriek of indignation against what he considered Winston's unfairness .

By general consent, Mr. Anthony Eden would have made a far better Foreign Secretary. He is accessible, tolerant, reasonable, and it is at least to the good that he is to remain in charge of League of Nations Affairs.

Mr. J. H. Thomas's retention at the Dominions Office has seriously offended the Empire overseas, where it was hoped that he would be transferred to a post requiring less delicacy and diplomacy. Mr. Thomas is another of those Ministers who resent all interference and criticism.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's elevation to the Secretaryship of State for the Colonies continues to be strongly criticised on the ground of "nepotism" and "favouritism"; but there is to be said that he is not of the grumbling, bullying type, and that he will not cry all over the place when attacked.

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Mr. Ernest Brown, who has to deal with the problem of the Unemployment Regulations, is an ideal sergeant-major type.

Faced with criticism, he is apt to bluster, but he stands up to his enemies like a man, and does not complain.

Other changes make little difference. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister for Lord Londonderry, Lord Londonderry for Mr. Anthony Eden, Lord Hailsham for Lord Sankey, Lord Halifax for Lord Hailsham, Mr. Stanley for Lord Halifax. This is all a kind of musical chairs in which the players remain the same.

Mr. Hore-Belisha is still outside the sacred circle. Mr. Baldwin likes him not. The Minister of Transport is too energetic and pushful for his sleepy chief.

Generally speaking, but for the change of head, there is still no reason to suppose that any marked alteration will be noticed in the direction of public affairs or in the mood in which they are handled.

There is still the need for plainer speaking and straighter fighting.

There is still the imperative duty of protecting the old English right of criticising, if necessary in the strongest terms, the day-to-day actions of Cabinet Ministers.

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AN EPIC OF EVERYDAY SACRIFICE

"THERE was a seasonal increase of . . . . . last month in the total number of unemployed."

How often do we read such paragraphs as that without bothering for a minute to think of the dramas of courage, self-sacrifice and wonderful comradeship behind them.

Sometimes the increase is ten thousand, sometimes a hundred thousand. Often there is no increase at all, but a welcome fall in the dreadful figures.

Yet, whatever they are, we soon turn on to more sensational news. Unemployment has become a matter of statistics, and the human appetite seeks stories of adventure, heroism, idealism.

Adventure, heroism, idealism indeed! As if there are not a million stories of that kind submerged beneath the weight of figures published by the Ministry of Labour.

Glint of gold

Why, the self-sacrifice that almost every victim of unemployment shows towards his brother, the "it's-the-poor - that - help - the-poor" spirit that you find in all the mean streets where our jobless men eke out existence, represents the biggest store of buried gold the world has ever known.

Well, sometimes we catch a glint of that gold. We did the other day, when just one Samaritan action of millions was enacted in the full light of day.

In the most prosaic of police courts it happened—at Ashby-de-la-Zouch, in Leicestershire, where the knights used to battle in days of old.

But the central figure this time, far from having some such ornamental name as Sir Brian de Bois-Guilbert, was merely described as John Dolman, coal miner, unemployed.

John Dolman, coal miner, unemployed, had the painful duty of taking to court a defaulting lodger who admitted robbing him in respect of board and lodging, which is pretty well all that out-of-work collier had to lose.

An unromantic story. A drab story, almost. That is until a police official arose and told the true story of that offending lodger, of how his employer had decamped without paying what he owed him, of his struggle in the world without a relative or a friend, and of how adversity had dogged him at every turn.

"I will forgive"

Then, somehow, the sternness disappeared from the face of that John Dolman, coal miner, unemployed, who was risking a few more of his hard-got shillings to get justice done. A look almost of tenderness came into his eyes.

The Bench saw him walk slowly, steadily towards them: heard him grope for words.

John Dolman coughed uncomfortably, and then, in words so quiet that he might almost have been ashamed of them, whispered: "I would like to forgive him that debt, if you please. I wish you would let me. He must have had a harder time than I've had."

And—the Bench agreeing to his request—he escaped from the plaudits and walked away, as knightly a figure as ever hallowed the streets of old Ashby, even if he didn't have a couple of coppers to jingle in his pocket.

A wonderful story illustrating the idealism that still exists among the army of wageless who are still struggling against hard times—yet if you are inclined to look on it as exceptional, then you don't know the unemployed.

Every hour of every day in all the side-streets of the land where the unemployed and their families are to be found there are little cameos like that.

They give of the few crusts they can rake up in their scanty cupboards. They spare the coppers that will help another man to get a job when they would give their right arms for a job of their own. Owning the only suit in the street neat enough to give the requisite touch of respectability to a man applying for work, they lend it out indiscriminately to people in the same boat as themselves, even though every grease spot and fray makes their position more hopeless.

In the side-streets of Britain adversity is bringing out the finest human qualities of tolerance, patience, fortitude and terrific self-sacrifice—and yet so quietly and ostentatiously that the nation has come to regard the unemployed as being largely a question of statistics.

Where, except among the poorest of the poor who really understand the principles of mutual self-help, will you find such a story as this from Salford?

Fare first

It happened in Paradise, one of the poorest parts of the city. The name must refer to the hearts of gold that abound there. William Steenson, described by the simple word unemployed, was haled before the court for causing an obstruction and fined £5.

Five pounds! You would have thought such a sum enough to buy Paradise if you had heard the gasp in court. Yet there it was. Unless that sum was forthcoming William Steenson, who would have found it just as easy to produce five millio was going to jail.

Well, he didn't go to jail. Pa dise saw to that.

The first move was a pathe little request to court officials allow a few hours' grace before prisoner was removed to Manches

The second was a meeting of m and women—all with that bre line look—outside the court. frantic search for pawnable p perty that had'nt already gone "pop" that followed in a hund

or more homes. The pawnbro who said they'd advance sixpence a shilling when their business stincts shrieked out that the arti were never worth more than t pence or threepence. It was ma ficent. . . .

And there was never anyth more noble than that procession unemployed people with the t sums, rarely exceeding a shill that altogether made up the £5 t saved William Steenson from pri

You may not know it, if you h never been in need of a job yours but one of the most pressing ne of an unemployed man is the s sum necessary for him to travel see an employer should a job available for him.

Bumbledom requires that should keep such a sum in rese not knowing how hard it is to h sixpence locked away when a b is crying for food. It quotes " U.D. 5085, 760/25 UIC 7, Para. 3 to him if the money shouldn't there when he wants it, and n deprive him of benefit for a tim he fails to have those all-essen coppers when they are wanted.

One Court of Referees recently s pended an out-of-work man f

Tragic Queues

The men in the queue wait, and wait—and if the job they want cannot be had, then they'll do all they can to help "the other fellow" get it

...nefit for six weeks because he ...dn't 3d. at the crucial moment.

Well, you don't know how many ...ms of human kindness have been ...oted down by the Recording Angel ...ecause of "Ref. U.D. 5085, 760/25 ...IC 7, Para. 386."

In towns like Merthyr, Middles...rough, Jarrow, Swansea, wherever ...nemployment is worst, you will find ...almost every street some kind-...earted soul, unemployed himself, ...ho keeps in reserve a few extra ...ppers for those of his kind who ...re even worse off than himself.

The "whip round"

They lose them, often. May have ...o replace them. May not have them ...hemselves when they want them ...ost. But debt is only debt, as be...ween one unemployed man and an...ther, when you won't pay—never ...hen you can't.

Sometimes, when work for twenty, ...fty or a hundred men is offered in a ...istant town, the unemployed who ...on't stand a dog's chance will pay ...he expenses of those who do. It ...appened recently at Horwich, near ...olton.

It was fitters only who were wanted ...sixty of them, at Dagenham, 200 ...iles away. Horwich had the fitters, ...ut lacked the money to send them, ...nd it was there that the never-fail...ng spirit of self-sacrifice of the un...mployed came in.

The manager of the local Labour Exchange raised some of the money necessary for train and motor-coach fares. How much came from his own good-hearted staff no one but he will ever know.

But the proud and yet poignant fact remains that it was the hundreds of workless people in the town who didn't stand a chance who paid most of the cost of sending those sixty fitters away with a new hope in life. And although they may have had to tighten their belts another hole, although mothers may have had to make an added sacrifice on behalf of their children, they have been amply repaid in the fact that 56 of those 60 got regular jobs.

Their pals had found new hope, even if they themselves never could. And that was something.

There you have the spirit of the side streets—the spirit of our millions of unemployed.

At Mexborough, where there is a rota system of allocating council work to enable as many men as possible to get the few days' work necessary to replace the worn shoes or threadbare clothes of themselves, their wives or their children, there has been seen yet another facet of this wonderful generosity.

They have seen men slink away because they have noticed a pair of boots worse than their own.

For the children

At Camberwell the unemployed formed an association requiring its members not merely to hunt for work for themselves, but for their pals as well, and hundreds found jobs in consequence.

And at Middlesbrough the unemployed who had always been poor enough to mend their own boots got busy with hammer and nails and repaired the shoes of children whose fathers had "come down a bit," and so had never learnt the gentle art of home-cobbling.

In scores of towns the unemployed have been able to stage special treats for the poor children of the district, for Christmas, the Jubilee or some other special occasion. If you remember that a thousand poor children sat down to table at Miles Platting, Manchester, as the guests of 200 out-of-work men, you will realise to what heights human kindliness can rise.

Sometimes unemployed men arrive outside their Labour Exchange with food bought out of their own tiny resources—not for themselves, but because they have heard of men who have collapsed and died from hunger in the work queue. They will place a pie or a hunk of bread and cheese in the hands of the famished man and steal away.

And wives show the same spirit of self-sacrifice one to the other, particularly where families are living on the communal system. . . . And that, perhaps, opens up another aspect of unemployment of which you may never have heard.

In some parts of the country, notably in South Yorkshire, families are forming themselves into groups which go to live as near to each other as possible to effect savings in food and fuel. It is heart-breaking to find such communities existing, because it usually means that the families concerned have given up hope of receiving anything in wages for many years to come, if not for ever.

Not isolated

They are families of lost hope.

Up at Tintwistle, in Cheshire, a clergyman who is not content to view unemployment from afar off has been investigating this communal aspect of unemployment, among others. The Rev. William Hodgkins is his name.

He has described how mothers would have to starve themselves on behalf of their children if it were not for the help of the mothers in other families comprising the group. He has told how the cost of a sick child will be spread not over one family but many.

One Yorkshire community of eight out-of-work families has a little holiday fund so small that it can only send one person to the seaside each year—but that person is always a wife and mother in the group who is suffering most through the sacrifices she makes on behalf of her husband and children.

When hope dies

The instances we have quoted throughout this article are not isolated ones. If the full history of our three million unemployed could be searched—and, of course, it never could—there would be sufficient not merely to fill a book, but a whole library.

What a golden library it would be.

It would help us to understand that in Britain's side-streets Charity never fails, not even when Faith wavers and Hope dies.

It would help us to understand those words we so often read when an inquest is held on someone who has starved to death, or committed suicide in despair: "He (or she) had eaten nothing for days except the little that the neighbours could spare."

The little! Heaven knows it is often everything.

JEKYLL AND HYDE TRICKSTER

A CLEVER and plausible trickster is carrying on a campaign of sharp practice in London and the provinces. He has claimed victims as far afield as Glasgow and Newcastle.

The man concerned is of Scotch origin, which is advertised in his accent. His greatest weakness is to pose as a doctor—it may be "Dr. Mackenzie," "Dr. Ross," or "Dr. MacAlpine."

This bogus medico's favourite instrument is the telephone, for it is by this means he works his coups. His methods do not vary in essentials whether he is in London, Glasgow or elsewhere.

First of all he compiles a list of wealthy people who are well known for their generosity towards the down-and-out section of the community. Taking the names on his list in turn, he rings up as "Dr. Mackenzie," and, in a cultured voice, explains that a hard case of poverty has come to his notice.

There is an ex-Service man who has got the opportunity of a job at Birmingham, but lacks the tools and money to help him on his way.

The story is usually told so convincingly that the victim says that if "Dr. Mackenzie" will send the poor man along, he will see what can be done for him.

Shortly afterwards the unemployed man who is anxious to get to Birmingham for a job arrives.

He seems honest and pleasant in manner and corroborates the details of his case as they are told over the telephone by "Dr. Mackenzie."

Recently a London victim had reason to ring up the telephone number that "Dr. Mackenzie" had mentioned as the one from which he was speaking, and this led to a surprising development.

That particular telephone number was of a business firm who knew nothing of "Dr. Mackenzie" or of an unemployed man.

Our investigations show that this mysterious "doctor" is a man who sometimes uses the name of Stewart, and it is he who also acts the part of the unemployed man and calls on the victim to receive money to help him reach that job.

The trick now becomes obvious, the mythical "Dr. Mackenzie" rings up on behalf of a poor down-and-out. Then, throwing aside his first alias, he adopts the rôle of the "down-and-out"—calls at the house of his victim and collects good money, and often clothes in addition.

The mysterious "doctor," of course, is never seen, he only speaks on the telephone!

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This plausible trickster has been working this little scheme of his for some time past, and his usual plan is to move from town to town.

Stewart, alias Dr. Mackenzie, alias Dr. Ross, is a man of about 50, heavy jowled and stockily built.

He is a man of two voices, the first, cultured and pleasant, which he uses on the telephone when speaking as the doctor; his other voice is that of a Glasgow labourer, gruff, uncouth, but respectful.

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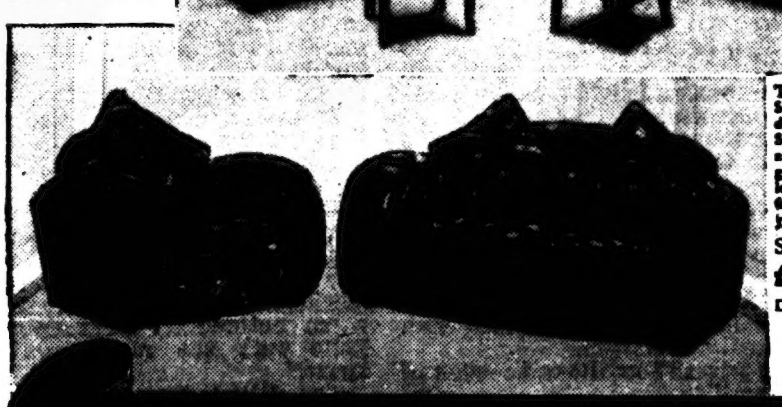

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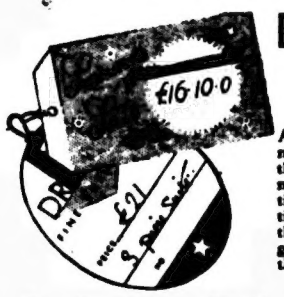

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They Needn't be Ashamed of YOU!

Hannen Swaffer's Open Letter to GRACE MOORE

DEAR GRACE MOORE,—I want to record in print words that I have already addressed to you publicly in a speech—a protest against the fact that, probably because Covent Garden "fancies itself," you were entirely kept away from the film Press, which made your reputation in this country, until the morning after you had sung for the last time at Covent Garden. Then you asked them all to lunch.

I doubt whether you would have been engaged at Covent Garden this season but for your film fame, for, as an operatic vocalist, you are merely one of quite a number of women who can sing competently, and with charm, the part of Mimi in "La Bohème."

But for the great publicity given to you because of your success, both as an actress and singer in "One Night of Love," a talkie, and because you also possess good looks sufficiently unusual for stardom on the screen, you arrived in London so famous that even Toscanini, the greatest conductor of his generation, had to push his way through your crowds and past your bouquets. He was unknown to the waiting mob. You were the heroine. Yet he is a hundred times more famous, in the world of opera, than you will ever be.

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You have done a much greater thing for Music than merely sing to a few hundred people gathered together in an opera house, some because they like music, some because they think going to Covent Garden is "fashionable," some because they want their unimportant names in the gossip columns. You have sung parts of "Madame Butterfly," which, I am told, you do not know all through, on the screen with such success that probably 100,000,000 people have seen, or will see, the picture all over the world.

Yet, as I said in my speech, one film critic of a great morning newspaper was refused admission to your first Press reception because he was not a music critic! Another, a woman who is probably the most distinguished writer on films in this country, was allowed to see you on behalf of her newspaper—on condition that she did not ask you any questions about talkies! You talked about them yourself!

No, Covent Garden was too high and mighty to be associated with a talkie star, this although your singing, by no means the most remarkable heard during this year's season, aroused, *because of the screen*, more interest than did all the other artists put together. I wonder what would have been said if I had gone along. I am a film critic. As such, I should probably have been barred. I also write about music, sometimes. As such, I might have been let in. So probably part of me would have had to spend the time in keeping another part of me away from you.

Now, I know this is no fault of yours. But, as you heard me say publicly, Art is Art, wherever you see it, and Music is Music wherever it is heard. It belongs not only to the palace but to the cottage.

The great days of Covent Garden have gone. No longer, as I told you, can I hear, for instance, Melba, Caruso, Scotti and Sammarco all in the same performance of "La Bohème" on the same night. The glamour has gone. The film, to-day, is much more important. It is a greater educator. It has more influence. It encompasses the world.

Yours has been a most romantic career. You wanted to be a missionary in China. Then you yearned for the stage. As your family disapproved of your operatic ambitions, you ran away from school and sang in a restaurant in Greenwich Village. You lost your voice. Then a great voice trainer restored it for you and taught you the elements of real singing.

Then you swore to yourself that, in two years, you would make your début at the Metropolitan Opera House. You went to Italy and studied with Mary Garden and then two weeks before your two years were up you sang in "La Bohème" at the Metropolitan. What a story! You had given up a large income in musical comedy in order to realise your ambition.

You were selected, two years ago, as one of the ten most beautiful women in the world. Still, as other nominees were Elissa Landi, Billie Burke and Marion Davies, who, while good-looking, are by no means exceptional—I can remember Mrs. Langtry, Mrs. Patrick Campbell and the Countess of Warwick—that was not the greatest of compliments.

It is because of your enormous success on the screen that you are world-famous. You have taken the music of Puccini into the lives of millions who, otherwise, might never have known it. For that, Music owes you much. But really, I think Covent Garden should recognise this, not be ashamed of it.

Because of it there was a waiting crowd outside Covent Garden for thirty hours, a crowd that wanted to see and hear you in the flesh. The police had to protect you from a mob of enthusiasts.

Yes, and the Queen went to hear you because she had seen your film. The King would have gone except that, unfortunately, he had a cold.

Because of your film, millions listened in when an act of "La Bohème" was broadcast on the air.

It is a great thing, my dear Grace, to have the talent, the gift and the beauty which can earn for you the right to sing in the two best-known opera houses in Europe and America. But it is a still greater thing to have your voice reproduced, yes and your looks, all over the world, to all the races of mankind, yes, and to know, too, that that voice is recorded so that in generations to come, if need be, it can be reproduced and heard when you have passed on.

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You are not as great as Jenny Lind. But Jenny Lind's voice is lost. Yours is on record so that people now unborn may hear. Of Patti's glorious notes, there remain just a few early records, not good enough. Of Caruso's voice, one of the greatest that the world has ever heard, there remain only a few gramophone records. But there you are permanently on record, visualised, heard, on celluloid that will last.

You are a lucky woman. In the Machine Age, you have been used, for Art's sake as well as for money. It has been a great thing, not only for you but for the film. Never forget it.

The film was good enough for Charlie Chaplin, the greatest clown who ever lived. Anyway, it made him. It made Garbo. It made Marlene Dietrich. It made Pickford. It made Fairbanks. And, whatever you may have done on the operatic stage, the film has made you into a world star.

CANDID COMMUNICATIONS

The EARL OF HARROWBY,
Lincolnshire Allotments Association

MY LORD,—One of the unfortunate consequences of the demand for housing sites is the crushing out of the allotment holder. Often, as you say, the ruthless notice he receives from the builder means the wreckage of many months of patient labour.

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During the war years such workers performed a great national service by helping to maintain food supplies. Let us show them a little gratitude.

JOHN BULL.

Sir MONTAGUE BUTLER,
Governor, Isle of Man

DEAR SIR,—Having seen a recent strike met and won without so much as a scratched finger or a broken pane of glass, you are now talking of raising "a force of disciplined men" to deal with any future strikes in the island.

If I know anything of Manxmen, such a measure would not only fail to cow them, but rouse them to a pitch of fury which might easily result in rioting. Be wise in time.

JOHN BULL.

Mr. JACK PETERSEN,
Cardiff

DEAR JACK,—Let me wish you the best of luck—and skill—in your fight with Walter Neusel at Wembley Stadium on Tuesday next.

When you met him before you were held back by the condition of your right hand. Now that is better, and I'm told you are full of confidence.

Well, here's your chance to prove that British heavy-weights are no longer the comic figures depicted in sports cartoons. Go ahead and win!

JOHN BULL.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK,
Bishopsthorpe, York

YOUR GRACE,—One of your kitchen-maids must be reflecting that fairy tales do sometimes come true.

For you officiated at her marriage to her cobbler lover, threw open your ancient palace for their wedding breakfast, at which you and your wife acted as hosts, and sent them off in your limousine for their honeymoon.

JOHN BULL.

Sir WALTER GILBEY: You want Government lotteries in every town to increase grants to horse industry. And still let hospitals go hang?—JOHN BULL.

Mr. L. HORE-BELISHA,
Minister of Transport

DEAR SIR,—For months your Ministry and the Essex County Council have delayed ridding the nation of a dangerous bottleneck near Grays, because each alleges that the other owes it a letter.

What a stupid situation! Why not a Belisha crossing—through a difficulty that should never have existed?

JOHN BULL.

Mr. DONALD C. BOWIE,
Croydon

DEAR SIR,—I am sure you will agree that a schoolmaster should be a model for youth to emulate. But you attempted to make a double crossing of the Channel in a small canoe, and on the return journey were picked up exhausted by a fishing boat. Had your endeavour succeeded you would have performed an utterly worthless feat—and nothing more.

I don't consider foolhardiness a good example to set nor a condition of mind to be admired.

JOHN BULL.

Rt. Hon. GEORGE LANSBURY,
Leader of the Opposition

DEAR MR. LANSBURY,—Your declaration that "Labour will not sanction war in any circumstances" will be welcomed by many.

You believe in disarmament, and advocate a rule of law by mutual consent among nations, citing the Saar plebiscite as an example.

These are excellent ideals, but I fear you'll find it hard-going to beat the warmongers. There's big money in strife!

JOHN BULL.

Sir KINGSLEY WOOD,
Minister of Health

DEAR SIR KINGSLEY,—I shall be surprised if there are no harsh words spoken about your department at the National Conference on Maternity and Child Welfare, which takes place next month. For there is still no sign of the drastic campaign needed to fight the appalling death-roll of mothers in childbirth—a campaign which Whitehall promised us years ago.

As the new Minister of Health, one of your duties is to honour that promise without delay.

JOHN BULL.

Rev. Dr. A. W. OXFORD,
Samaritan Hospital, London

DEAR SIR,—A doctor-clergyman, you confess that when—thirty years ago—a woman suffering from cancer begged you to end her life you left her a large quantity of morphia with instructions not to take more than a normal dose.

Who can say you were wrong—or right?

But she was right. That poor woman did *not* take an overdose, for she remembered her children.

JOHN BULL.

Surgeon-Captain F. L. SMITH,
Royal Marines, Deal

DEAR CAPTAIN,—The sentry-box in which a young Marine recruit was killed by lightning is overshadowed by trees, one of which had been struck a year ago. Yet you say they cannot be removed, adding that one of them was planted by Queen Victoria.

But either those trees should come down or sentries should not be placed beneath them during thunderstorms.

JOHN BULL.

Mr. BENJAMIN JONES,
New Tredegar Bench

DEAR CHAIRMAN,—"You did a despicable thing to steal from a man who could not defend himself, a man who is totally blind and trying to make an independent living."

So you said to a rascal who victimised a sightless shopkeeper.

Strong words, but the forty shillings fine you inflicted for the offence takes the sting out of them.

JOHN BULL.

says I'm like a 'broody hen with all her chicks around her.'" — *S.E.H., Pimlico, S.W.1.*

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What makes the food decay in the bowels? Well, when we eat too much, our bile juice can't digest it. What is the bile juice? It is the most vital digestive juice in our body. Unless two pints of it are flowing from our liver into our bowels every day, our movements get hard and constipated, and three-quarters of our food decays in our 28 feet of bowels. This decay sends poison all over our body every six minutes.

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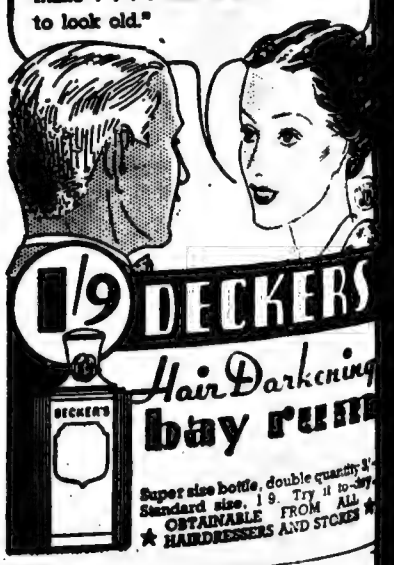

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Good-bye, HYMN of HATE!

This Christmastide fraternisation between the opposing forces took place during the war. Why not the same spirit during peace?

by A. G. Gardiner

THIS Saturday evening there will be a notable gathering at Brighton that may well be the seed of a great and beneficent movement. A deputation of thirty German ex-Servicemen will be entertained by the local branch of the British Legion.

The event originates out of one of those personal sorrows with which the vast inhumanities of the war made all nations familiar. The father of a German soldier requested the British Legion to find the grave of his son, who died as a prisoner of war and was buried at Brighton. From this enquiry sprang the intercourse between the German ex-servicemen and the Brighton ex-Servicemen which led to the present visit and this evening's gathering at Brighton.

It comes at an appropriate moment. In his speech at the annual conference of the British Legion in London a few days ago the Prince of Wales gave very pointed encouragement to the idea of friendly relations being established between the ex-Servicemen of this country and the ex-Servicemen of Germany.

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"I feel" he said, "that there could be no more suitable body or organisation of men to stretch forth the hand of friendship to the Germans than we ex-Servicemen who fought them in the great War and have now forgotten all about that."

In saying this I have no doubt that the Prince had the approval of the Government. He undoubtedly spoke the mind of the country, and especially of the ex-Servicemen. And the effect abroad has been wholly gratifying. The gesture has been welcomed with enthusiasm in Germany, and friendly exchanges between the organisations of the two countries are, I understand, already in progress. And inasmuch as a deputation of French ex-Servicemen visited and were entertained in Berlin last winter, French sensitiveness has no excuse for alarm at the prospective fraternisation of the British and German war veterans.

There are no political implications in the movement. It does not imply any change of attitude towards France, nor does it imply sympathy with much that has happened to liberty under the régime in Germany. Its value is in giving expression to the desire for peace which is common to the mass of people in all countries, and in promoting that good will and understanding without which peace cannot be established.

In this work of reconciliation, no class in the community in any country has a greater a title to be heard as those who passed through the hell of the last war. They know the price of war. They know who pays that price. They know the horrors of war, its futility, its shamefulness.

And knowing all this, they hate, not each other, but The Thing. They hate the whole institution of war, not the unhappy victims of it who happen to be their foes.

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I believe this to be universally true. I know it is true of this country. I know it is true of the French peasantry. I refuse to believe that it is not true of the average German who passed through that same dreadful experience. It may be true—I fear it is—that the post-war generation of Germany, under the sense of its grievances and its desire for revenge, is infected with the old militant spirit. But the war generation still survives, and it is that generation which holds the balance of power.

I was never among the soldiers themselves that the cult of hate of the enemy was popular during the war. The savageries that were preached did not proceed from the men in the trenches, but from the professors and journalists, and not seldom the divines who were safely at home and knew nothing of the bitter realities of the war.

Who does not recall that memorable Christmas when by common consent, and under the gracious influence of a common memory, the armies laid down their arms and fraternised in that dread No Man's Land where so many of their comrades had perished yesterday and more were doomed to perish to-morrow?

That incident revealed the real feelings of the common soldier. He had no personal enmity against the foe. How could he have? He knew that he was sucked as helplessly into the machine of war as himself. He knew he was living the same foul life in the rat-infested trenches as he was. He knew he was dying or doomed to die as he was. He saw his pitiful corpse on the barbed wire, and knew that his own turn might come to-morrow.

How could he hate him? How could he do other than pity him and wish for nothing but that both might be delivered from the hell they were in, and go home to their families and their fields?

This was as true, I believe, of the German as of the British or French. I recall a letter of extraordinary beauty and dignity which appeared in the *Kölnische Zeitung* during the war from a German officer, protesting against the insulting and offensive cards decrying the enemy which were sent to his troops from behind. His men, he said, knew how foolishly those slanders misrepresented a brave enemy, and felt nothing but disgust at incitements which were as untrue as they were clumsy.

And if you will turn to the letters of that brilliant aviator, Capt. Ball, who perished in the war while still little more than a boy, you will find him speaking with the same generous respect of the enemy and the same entire freedom from personal hatred.

If that was so during the war, how much more should it be so to-day, when the ex-Servicemen on both sides can look back, "all passion spent," on those hideous years when they were in hell together. When, too, they can see how little good and how much misery has come upon the world as the result of all their sufferings and sacrifices. The war "that was to end war" has left Europe hovering on the brink of another catastrophe, and the war that was to "make the world safe for democracy" has destroyed freedom over nearly the whole face of the Continent.

In the face of all this, is there anything more to be desired than that the influence of the men who bore the brunt of the Great War should be brought to bear on the present situation? I should like to see the ex-Servicemen of all lands mobilised in a great campaign against the common enemy—War. The Prince of Wales has given the word of command for that campaign.

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Let the veterans of Britain, France and Germany unite on a common platform. Let them say to the statesmen of the world, "We have been enemies, but we are enemies no longer. We shall refuse to be made enemies again. We, the survivors, represent the millions of dead who were slain, as they believed, to free mankind from the curse of war. We have resolved that they shall not have died in vain and that in so far as our power lies that curse shall not return to devastate the earth."

Meanwhile, best wishes and a happy evening to that company at Brighton.

Meet Mickey's Maker

SAY, who are the screen's Old Masters?
We think of a cove called Walt,
A chap of the name of Chaplin—
Then come to a sudden halt.
For who are their peers in Filmland?
Aye, who with these two can rank?
The posters may shout and bluster,
But our minds remain a blank.

Kinema sweethearts and It girls
Have vanished like last year's snow,
Together with hard-faced he-men
And vamps that we used to know;
They boom for a year, a season,
Then others usurp the bill;
But genius lasts—so Charlie stays
And Disney draws us still!

According to all the rules of the game, as they are misunderstood in Hollywood, Walt Disney's cartoons should rank with those revue items that are played before a front-cloth while the big spectacular scene is being got ready.

Yet many people go to the kinema to see Mickey Mouse and don't bother to wait for the breath-bereaving million-dollah picture, featuring Helga Bjornstjerne and Gob Sago.

Why this should be is a mystery to Hollywood magnates and their faithful yes-men, for the Silly Symphonies are notoriously lacking in sex appeal and not many girls are suspected of sleeping with a picture of Michael Mouse under their pillows.

Then, again, the man Disney seems so absurdly ignorant of what is expected of the owner of a big screen name. When he was due in England, film gossip scribes turned in vain to their favourite reference book, "Who's Whose?" for the names of his previous wives.

Under severe cross-examination, he was forced to admit that the wife he has with him is the only one he has had. And as if this was not enough to break the heart of any publicity agent, it leaked out that the Disneys have been happily married for ten years.

What's more, up to the time of going to press, Mrs. Disney has not had her black opals stolen and Walt has unaccountably failed to give it as his considered opinion that our London police are wonderful.

To cap everything, when induced to talk of his future (seeing that he doesn't seem to have a "past"), Walt spoke of making a full-length film about Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, apparently under the illusion that a fairy tale may vie in interest with palpitating stories of reel life, like Perfumed Sinners, or historical and highly educational films, like The Secret Loves of Lucrezia Borgia.

The man certainly does sound innocent!

But maybe his innocence will once again be our bliss.

Who's afraid of the Big Black Wolf of
boredom? Not a few.
When Hollywood goes heavily to work
To give us what *it* wants and try to make
us want it, too!
So visits to a picture show we shirk.
In case the same old gangsters and the
same sad millionaire
(Who's married to the same blonde,
heartless vamp)
And all the same old Hollywood menagerie
are there.
And yawning may produce a facial
cramp!

The labours of Los Angeles bring forth
enormous mice,
But Walt invents one mouse and scoops
the pool.
Though silly symphonies of sex and sin
do not entice,
And red-hot mommas leave us strangely
cool.
Who's afraid of the Big Black Wolf of
boredom—few, we ween—
When Disney brings his magic into
play?
Then fairyland and fantasy appear upon
the screen,
And grown 'ps youngsters with their
young go Gay!

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Wicked Ramp on the Sick

Charles Adams Simpson, ex-street hawker, now spiritual leader of this strange prayer-selling cult

IT is not surprising that individuals come forward from time to time who are ready and willing to pray for others who are in distress. Throughout the centuries there have been mendicants of a type who live by praying for others in return for a financial consideration.

In recent times more enterprising individuals have been able to organise themselves, founding societies and institutions, and erecting their peculiar temples in cities in all parts of the land.

Two years ago we published an account of the establishment of a remarkable centre called the City of Prayer, at Addington Park, near Malling, in the most picturesque part of the county of Kent.

We then described in detail the ramifications of a London body of faith-healers, with some pretensions to the practice of Spiritualism, and threw light on both the methods employed and the individuals concerned with the expansion of the cult.

We revealed the plans which were on foot for raising £1,000,000, an amount it was planned to expend on the purchase of a luxurious mansion as an extension of what is the most extraordinary and, at the same time, the most profitable venture ever embarked upon in the name of Spiritualism.

New campaign

We then criticised the widespread activities of one Charles Adams Simpson, the spiritual leader of a body calling itself The Seekers, whose London headquarters are at 29, Queen's Gate, Kensington.

To-day this so-called religious body is pursuing a renewed campaign for extracting money from sick and incurable people, for whom prayers are said in lavishly decorated chapels.

Simpson, through the medium of *The Seekers*, has sought to establish the tentacles of his organisation in many provincial towns. The literature published and circulated among sufferers from serious illnesses and among lonely people is comprehensive to a degree. The leaders have left no stone unturned in an effort to make their movement attractive to wealthy incurables, as well as to others who pay that prayers may be said for them.

At a ceremony held recently to mark the second anniversary of this prayer-selling cult luncheon was succeeded by an assembly in the hall, and then by a procession headed by a self-appointed "Bishop," fur-coated women with painted finger-nails jostled with each other to gain contact with the fifty faith-healers who led the way to the Cloisters, as the buildings, formerly used as stables, are now called.

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While this procession was in progress, and while the faith-healers attached to The Seekers met around a cross, fashioned in the turf, no fewer than eight thousand people in various parts of the country were invited to participate by praying in their homes. As they were all subscribers to the tune of 2s. 6d. it will be seen that this praying business is not conducted without profit!

At this anniversary celebration Charles Adams Simpson favoured those subscribers who attended with an exhibition of pageantry and ritual, during which he lectured on "The Triumph of Prayer," whilst the self-styled "The Bishop" gave an address.

Simpson we have already exposed as being an adventurer who leapt from street-hawking to notoriety, posing as the medium of a supposed spirit-guide called "Dr. Lascelles," who is said to have flourished in medical circles some seventy years ago, but who is now dead.

No trace can be discovered of the earthly existence of this "Dr. Lascelles"—whom Simpson boasts was a Court Physician to Queen Victoria—though Simpson himself has become the mainspring of his prayer-selling racket.

At the sumptuously furnished headquarters in Kensington, London, he conducts meetings, and ministers to the sick by the laying-on of hands, inducing those suffering from grievous diseases to pay varying subscriptions in the expectation of a cure.

"The Bishop" has been more recently introduced, and except that he is called the Rev. F. W. Pigott, M.A., very little is known of his religious career.

The eight thousand subscribers scattered in various parts of the country are "patients" belonging to what is called the Harmony Prayer Circles, centres of which are established both at the manor house in Addington Park and in Kensington.

The leaflet distributed among humble folk—who by reason either of poverty or illness are unable to attend—is adorned with a cross, and it conveys an invitation to all voluntary workers to attend for the purposes of prayer. It concludes with a reminder to the absent "patient," which runs as follows:

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The organisers of *The Seekers* have therefore founded a system whereby they obtain large sums or small sums according to the means and the depth of the pockets of those with whom they get in touch.

A higher grade of membership affords subscribers of £1 1s a year the use of the gardens and grounds at Addington Park, and also admission to meetings and conferences. These subscribers are also privileged to use a club room at 29, Queen's Gate, where prayer chapels have been established, and where religious meetings are held on Sunday evenings at 8 p.m.

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So has this most amazing prayer-selling society in modern times been built up on moneys obtained from the credulous.

Simpson was formerly concerned with what he called the Guild of Spiritual Healing, Ltd., a company which was supposed to render voluntary service to the suffering.

In connection with that organisation, as in the present one, Simpson used to call upon the shade of the departed "Dr. Lascelles," charging from a guinea to two guineas for his spirit consultation!

Medium-in-chief

But the company went into liquidation without any of the subscribers ever learning the reason. Simpson himself did not trouble to face the auditors with balance-sheets.

He is now the medium-in-chief at the London headquarters of *The Seekers*, with a staff of seven "healers." He flits from 29, Queen's Gate, Kensington, to the Manor House called The City of Prayer at Addington, Kent.

More mysterious is the "Bishop," for the Rev. F. W. Pigott has turned out to be a member of what is called the Liberal Catholic Church, a shadowy enterprise that fell into disrepute because of the malpractices of the notorious Bishop Leadbeater, whom we exposed years ago.

It is in the light of these facts that we utter this further warning to those who would place their faith in the prayers offered in return for fees.

There are, of course, some very excellent people in the world who devoutly believe in Spiritualism, and who earnestly believe in the power of faith: but for those who would pray, there are facilities in any church or chapel, and it is quite unnecessary to pay fees for the privilege.

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To know values is to realise that there is a higher side to life than the merely material. There is a spiritual side, a side that can only be satisfied by some form of solid self-expression.

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Its standards of judgment are hasty and built mostly on the outward evidence of success.

Many an artist in a garret is happier than a millionaire in a palace. Many an author in a cottage would laugh you to scorn if you were to suggest his changing places with the most successful business man you know. It's all a point of view, and an individual point of view at that.

Unless at some point in your life you are creating you are not living. Unless you are cultivating the human values—friendship, kindness, faith and the like, you are only seeing one side of life. Unless you are playing as well as working you are only developing one side of your nature. The man who knows values lives the whole of life and not just a part.

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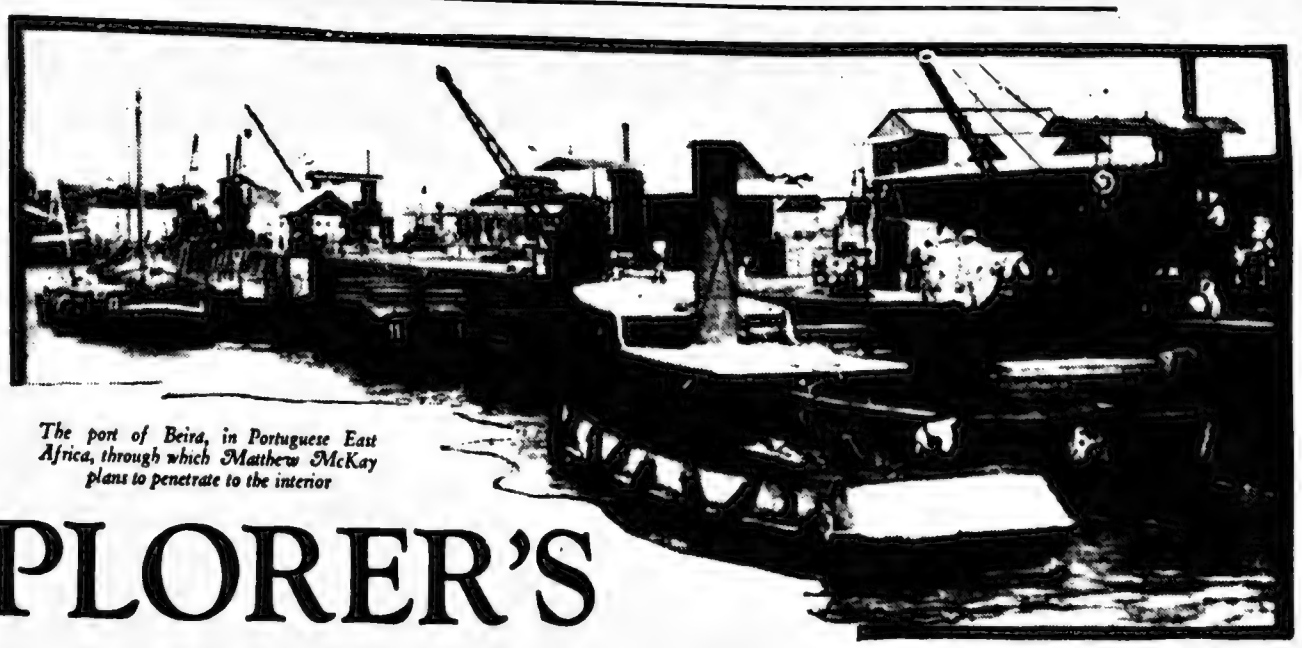

The port of Beira, in Portuguese East Africa, through which Matthew McKay plans to penetrate to the interior

EXPLORER'S BIG GAME

A Doubtful Expedition

I NEVER much like adversely criticising any scheme or project before it has had time to develop, and thus demonstrate its value or otherwise, unless I am satisfied that there is an intent to deceive the public; then I do not hesitate.

The "adventure" which I am about to discuss may be honestly conceived, but I have had many letters asking my advice, and, on the face of it, much explanation is necessary. One, Mr. Matthew McKay, who I understand was at one time a missionary and coffee planter in Portuguese East Africa, and who states that he has previously conducted two expeditions, is advertising in certain papers for assistants to join a third to "Central Africa."

There is no harm in that, but the sequel to the advertisement is not quite so satisfactory. Applicants are requested to forward to Mr. McKay, who describes himself as "Director, Central African Explorations," the sum of one dollar (four shillings) for "full particulars and enrolment for services." I naturally begin to wonder why the sum of one dollar is mentioned and to suspect that advertisements may be appearing in American as well as English newspapers.

Anyway, the circular which invites the subscription of the aforesaid sum describes the situations which may be applied for. They are clerk, photographer, journalist, storekeeper, trapper, hunter, utility worker, and general assistant.

"Africa calling"

It goes on to mention that the "offer is genuine" and "only happens once in a lifetime," which seems to me a slight contradiction in terms when it is also stated that this is the third expedition. There is a further statement that "Africa with its teeming interest is calling," as also that for those who cannot undertake the responsibilities of the expedition but who would like advice *re* passage-paid posts abroad, Mr. McKay will be pleased to place his valuable services (unobtainable elsewhere) at their disposal."

All these things begin to make me suspect that Mr. McKay is a fee-snatcher. However, I will continue. On receipt of the sum of four shillings (or a dollar) the "mysteries" of the expedition are disclosed, and the subscriber informed that he is now a "candidate" for a post."

Rather like the old "Warehouse" system, wherein you had to buy a parcel of drapery, etc., in order to "qualify" for a glittering prize.

It is stated that the "Central African Expedition" is being convened for the purpose of filming, trading, hunting and trapping. It will be away from twelve to fifteen months and expects to leave in April, 1936.

Those who have "financial interests" will be "*preferred*" for the most responsible positions on the staff. The remuneration will not be high, as there is the question of passage money, cost of outfit, and also the cost of maintaining the full staff, both white and native, during the stay in Africa.

This letter, which is the product of a duplicating machine, includes the remark: "If you can offer financial support, kindly state the amount you would invest." I have had several copies of this letter sent to me by readers in scattered parts of the country, which indicates that the extent to which it has been circularised is considerable.

I have been watching developments very closely, and the latest situation is that Mr. McKay is not satisfied with the progress he has made. But he is still optimistic, for he recently pointed out to one of my correspondents (who has already invested four shillings in this "adventure") that most of the berths will have to be "financially supported." Then he calmly suggests that, "if definitely engaged," this gentleman should pay £300 into "the kitty" shall I say. I should not blame Mr. McKay so much if he had not charged four shillings (or a dollar) for preliminary information about his "expedition."

But it seems to me outrageous to inform an applicant who has just paid four shillings that "he is now a *candidate* [*sic*] for the post of general assistant"; that "he will be as likely to be accepted as anyone else," and then to end up with the suggestion of an investment of £300. That is fee-snatching, and I choose those words advisedly.

Mr. McKay is now informing his applicants that he is considering the purchase of a sailing vessel, and, indeed, is advertising for one.

I will now attempt to analyse his project as honestly and dispassionately as I can.

The expedition is going to be to "Central Africa," wherever that may be, and that portion of the great continent is to be approached *via* Portuguese East Africa. It will be in the bush for about a year filming, trading, hunting, trapping, etc. Now, I want to be perfectly fair in this article. If people with plenty of money and who wish to lead an idle and exciting life join Mr. McKay, let them do so by all means, but I have had to deal with letters from poor people, as also unemployed men, who hope to secure profitable employment.

Central Africa is a very loose expression, and, indeed, looking at the map, the centre of Africa appears to me to be on the border between the Egyptian Sudan and French Equatorial Africa. Mr. McKay is going to enter by Portuguese East Africa, and by this I can only suppose he means Delagoa Bay, or possibly Beira.

In either case he would have a long way to trek. I presume he is going to trek, because he expressly asks applicants, "Can you trek long distances?" What puzzles me is why at one moment he should be stating that the remuneration will not be high and there is the question of "passage money," and yet at another be speaking of acquiring a sailing vessel! I understand that he has got an option of chartering Shackleton's old vessel, the *Quest*. As the *Quest* was specially fitted out and, I believe, specially equipped for antarctic work, I should suggest that she would be totally unsuitable for a voyage through the Red Sea, for example, or to lie in a Portuguese harbour whilst the members of this expedition are filming, trapping, hunting, etc.

Again, it would take a long time to get from England to Portuguese East Africa by such a vessel. To get down to brass tacks, I really do not see how any money is to be made out of this strange adventure. It is all very well to say vaguely that there is to be filming, trading, hunting and trapping. I do not know what Mr. McKay proposes to film, what he proposes to trade, what he proposes to hunt, or what he proposes to trap.

Everybody knows, and I have personal experience, that the most expensive luxury in the world is big game hunting. Licences to shoot, for example, elephants are hard to get, and the price of ivory nowadays is negligible.

Mr. McKay does not mention, when he speaks of "Central Africa," into whose country he proposes to penetrate, but it must be either the Belgian Congo, French Equatorial Africa, the Egyptian Sudan, or the Tanganyika, Uganda, Kenya group of British colonies and possessions.

Reducing the "odds"

I do not like the way he is accepting sums of four shillings from people whom he then informs that they are "now a candidate for a post" and "as likely to be accepted as anyone else." His later statement, however, that most of the berths will have to be financially supported seems to me to reduce the "odds" of being accepted considerably.

His subsequent suggestion of an "investment" of £300 should, I submit to Mr. McKay, be accompanied by an offer of the refund of the sum of four shillings (or a dollar) in the event of the person concerned not being in a financial position to make such investment.

If he does this I shall have no complaint. If he does not, I shall name him as a fee-snatcher.

To those who may not have written to me and have been attracted, I say, if you have plenty of money and are prepared to risk it in the hope of an amusing adventure, do so. It's your affair!

"I Little Thought . . ."

HOW many stories of tragedy and disillusionment begin with the words: "I little thought . . ."

There are hard-hit people everywhere to-day who little thought that the dog they petted would turn and bite them, that the home they built up lovingly bit by bit would be devoured by flames in a night, that somebody they trusted would turn out a disappointment.

These are the unexpected things of life. Of course, one little thinks they are going to happen.

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Well, sickness descended on a Manchester home recently. The wife had to leave her duties so important to the running of a home. "Measles," said the doctor, and shadows of worry, financial anxiety and disturbance of routine fell over the little home.

"I little thought . . .," wrote the patient to JOHN BULL the other day.

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In reference to a recent article in the issue of April 13, 1935, under the above heading, in which we referred to certain mining companies of which Mr. Frederick Charles Goodwin is a director, we have been informed by Messrs. Soames, Edwards and Jones, solicitors acting for Mr Goodwin, that they are in possession of information which goes to show that their client was the unfortunate victim of a hoax.

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(4) Cleanses the intestines, thus preventing food waste from poisoning the system.

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Remember, just as a signature on a motor licence, a marriage certificate or a cheque is a proof of genuineness, so the signature "Alex. C. Maclean" is a proof of the genuine Maclean Brand. That signature is your safeguard against substitutes. It guarantees you the same stomach powder which has cured thousands of cases like yours.

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A Rogue's Woman Dummy

ONCE and for all we intend to unmask the "Buy Your Own Business by Instalments" imposture.

There is no question that many unfortunate people are, each week, losing in the aggregate large sums of money through the operations of certain firms which specialise in this outrageous form of enterprise.

Investigation into the activities of these particular firms brings from the victims stories of heartbreaking disappointment and serious financial embarrassment.

So grievous is the position in this respect that reputable business transfer and estate agents are now circulating advice to their clients urging them to have nothing whatever to do with any concern which advertises the lending of money for the purchase of a retail business—the loan to be returned by easy payments.

One agent in Birmingham has gone to the length of having a notice printed and attached to every letter despatched from his office. It is to this effect:—

"*Warning to Purchasers.* Should you be contemplating purchasing a business by borrowing the money from firms (usually some distance away) advertising on such lines, I should like to state that I have, in the past few years, met hundreds of people who have parted with from £3 to £7 investigation fees, but not one single instance where a loan has been granted. Loans can usually only be arranged where satisfactory security can be offered to a Bank."

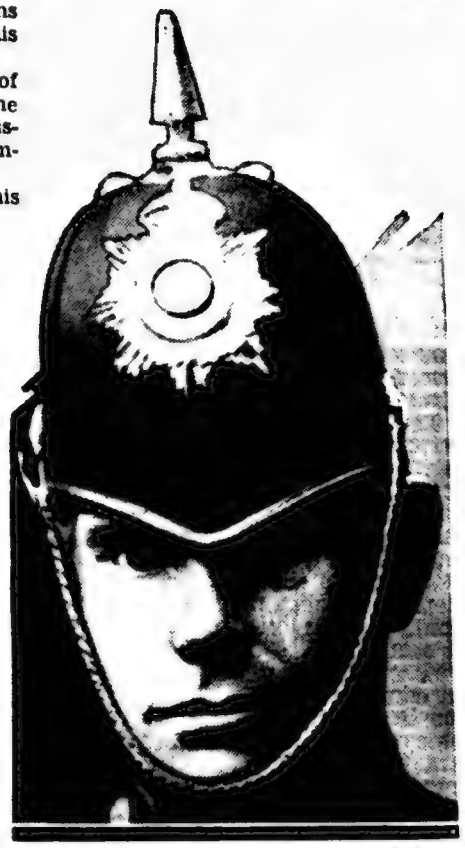
And that is the basis of the whole of this "buy your own business" fee-snatching deception. The bait to customers is the prospect of a loan by which a profitable business may be acquired.

Substantial fees are demanded in advance for services. Negotiations become prolonged; other fees are required if the transaction is to go through, and finally, when the customer has parted with all the money he can afford for these preliminaries, an excuse is given for refusing the suggested loan.

Disappointed

A simple and profitable means of catching the unwary, against which the client has no safeguard. For, of course, the firm offering the loan is quite entitled to say, at any stage in the proceedings, "We do not like the business you want to buy. We do not think it is worth the price asked for it. Therefore, we can go no further in the matter."

In such an event the disappointed customer is left with a loss of the money expended in fees, and no nearer at all to securing the business he desires.



Mr. A. S. Beesley, Chief Constable of Folkestone, once brought Spikesman to book

Continual complaints have reached us about one glaring practitioner of this fees-in-advance-for-loans snare. The firm in question trades under the name of Morton and Company, of Clapham Road, London.

Now, Morton and Co. advertises persistently in newspapers throughout the country suggesting it can find loans for the purchase of businesses.

Enquirers who answer the advertisement receive a printed circular to the effect that the firm operates as "Business and Property Organisers," and there is the announcement: "Mortgages and Easy Terms Arranged. Businesses and Properties only entertained."

Under the heading "Confidential" there is also this statement: "A good business has always a definite selling value in the open market. Provided an arrangement is made whereby security is taken on the business itself, it should be possible to arrange an equitable mortgage for the purchase of such a concern. This would establish on sound lines, for life, many people who have only been prevented from doing well by lack of capital."

The fees required by Morton and Co. for the negotiation of any business purchase and mortgage are set out, which vary according to district, ranging from £2 10s. upwards.

Evidence has been placed before us as to the devious ways of Morton and Co. in relation to the purchase of a business at Walsall, Staffordshire.

In that instance fees amounting to £5 15s. were paid on the understanding that a mortgage of £150—which was thoroughly guaranteed — would be arranged.

No refund

After weeks, in which the matter was held in suspense, Morton and Co. quibbled over the lease of the shop premises to be occupied, and wrote: "In the circumstances we regret we shall be unable to proceed further."

When a protest was sent to the firm it refused to yield, and replied: "We know our own business best and do not wish to enter into any controversy."

Other cases of a similar kind are on record regarding this firm of so-called "business and property organisers." It draws its fees for "investigation and negotiation," and then retires quietly into its shell. One example is typical of a variety. The individual facts differ, but the end is the same—refusal to advance any money or to refund any fees.

Really the position is this: You pay your money to Morton and Co., receive its carefully worded circulars, but not its loans or mortgages.

Actually Morton and Co., for all its pretensions to be able to carry through important business and property dealings, has no substantial background.

The firm occupies two unpretentious rooms on the ground floor of an old house near the Stockwell end of the Clapham Road. The staff appears to consist of two individuals—a young clerk in the outer office, who first views callers through a "pigeon-hole" window, and a "principal," who sits in an inner room for personal interviews.

Search at the Registry of Business Names proves that Morton and Co. was registered as lately as December, 1933, as "business transfer agents; mortgage and insurance brokers." The proprietor of the concern is a woman—Mabel Gladys Tring, who resides at Honeywell Road, Wandsworth Common.

Our criticism of Morton and Co. is emphatic. We distrust and dislike its advertisements and methods. Its circulars and letters, by which it extracts fees—on the implication of monetary advances—give no indication of the requirements it will ultimately demand or the obstacles it will commonly raise. It lives on the money obtained from individuals who deal with it in the hope that funds for the purchase of a business will be forthcoming—a hope which in all the cases before us has proved an illusion.

In fact, Morton and Co., of Clapham Road, London, can be catalogued among the worst of this fee-snatching fraternity, which is hardly surprising when we examine the record of the individual who controls its destinies from behind the scenes. . . .

For the real personality of Morton and Co. is an ex-jail bird, by name Leslie Archibald Spikesman.

We have in the past exposed on many occasions the activities of this notorious rogue under his various aliases. For years Spikesman has made a dishonest living by various kinds of frauds and sharp practices.

Debt to a town

In May, 1932, he received a sentence of twenty months' hard labour for a series of callous "home employment" frauds, involving no less than £20,000.

On that occasion the judge also ordered Spikesman to pay a sum not exceeding £500 towards the cost of the prosecution. Incidentally that amount is still owing to the town of Folkestone, for it was the Chief Constable of Folkestone who initiated the case against Spikesman and his confederates.

Soon after Spikesman came out of prison the business of Morton and Co. was started. At the office in Clapham Road, Spikesman appears as the manager, and uses the name of Tring, passing as a relative of Gladys Mabel Tring, the registered proprietor. He lives in his private house under the name of Tring.

Among the earlier activities of Spikesman were Bell and Co., of Paradise Street, Liverpool, and Duke Street, London, under the cloak of which he sold alleged "business secrets" and reaped a rich harvest from his dupes.

Later, after other dubious exploits in different parts of the country, he opened up at Folkestone. There he conducted the Southern Football Tote Pool—a football betting business—Blair, Newman, Ltd., a debt-collecting agency, and his great homework swindle.

Fee-snatching has always been a speciality of Leslie Archibald Spikesman, and the history of Morton and Co. proves that his hand has in no way lost its cunning in this respect.

Our Betters

YESTERDAY I was told a story about King George which I hope is true. I think it must be true because it is said to have happened in a part of the world with which I am well acquainted and more than one person noted the incident.

In accordance with his custom of mixing freely with his people without feeling the need for any special safeguards, the King attended Sunday service in a parish church not long ago.

A fellow-worshipper was so impressed by the presence of his Sovereign so close to him that he availed himself of the opportunity to gaze and keep on gazing at the King instead of attending to the service either at prayers or sermon.

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The King good-naturedly endured this persistent personal scrutiny for some time; he must have plenty of experience of it; but at length, looking straight into the gazer's eyes, he quietly and unobtrusively raised his hand and pointed to the cross on the altar.

The meaning of the action could not be mistaken. It was a plain hint to the watcher that in divine worship his thoughts should be directed to higher things than even the person of the crowned head of the British Empire.

The King is no prig; no one ever thinks of him as such; he is a perfectly natural, unselfconscious Englishman, who takes the duties of his high station seriously and yet can enjoy a good laugh.

In doing what he did in this instance he was careful not to draw the attention of the congregation nor to inflict public humiliation upon the man he corrected. No doubt he was a little annoyed at being stared at without intermission, but that was because of the time and place, and his gesture of rebuke was not unkindly.

Nor ought we to find too much fault with the unnamed individual who received this gentle reminder of a breach of decorum. I wonder who would not have a good look at the King if he had him at close quarters, though I hope few of us would want to carry our inspection to the point of rudeness.

But there is a lesson for us all in the raising of that royal hand and its silent signal. Upon what should our attention be chiefly fixed in life; what is it that we most ought to respect and admire in those we account our superiors?

The question is not hard to answer.

Homely Wisdom by the Rev. R. J. Campbell, D.D.

The cross at which the King pointed has become for the best part of mankind the symbol of self-sacrifice, of a lofty vision unflinchingly carried out at whatever personal cost.

And what should ever evoke our reverence in the men and women we know or hear about, who have exercised great influence in the world, is not the wealth or power they have possessed but their goodness and wisdom.

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The late Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree wrote a book called "Our Betters." Alluding to the expression in the Catechism about our duty towards our neighbour, with the answer thereto which we have all been taught—"To order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters"—Sir Herbert asked, "Who are our betters?"

And he made his opinion on the subject clear. Our betters are those who are worth looking up to, those we can revere for their example, and love for their lovableness.

If you have someone in your life, however obscure in station, who is of this order of nobility, thank God for it and be worthy of the privilege.

The GAGG WITNES —Too Te to giv Evide

OUR proud boast that British justice is the fairest in the world rests largely upon the fact that witnesses can go fearlessly into the box and speak freely in the sure knowledge that their interests will be protected, and that their personal safety will be assured.

That, most people will think, goes without saying; but recent developments suggest that we shall have little cause for pride if a menace that is now spreading throughout the country is allowed to get out of hand.

We refer to the menace of intimidation—an ugly word for an ugly thing, and doubly so when it implies tampering with the course of justice. It has been seen how gangsterdom grew and gained foothold in America, and intimidation is the essence of gang rule.

As we showed in a leading article, published a few months ago, ruffianism is on the increase in this country, and latterly there have been far too many cases in which gangster tactics of a most despicable kind have been practised with the deliberate intention of frustrating the law.

During the past year alone complaints have arisen in towns as far apart as Glasgow and Epsom, Sheffield and Newcastle-on-Tyne, Leeds and Southend, Harrogate and Brighton.

It is in the last-named town, indeed, that one of the most dangerous of all officially "known" hooligans resides in luxury with many of his satellites. There is a comprehensive file about this man's operations, but he has so far succeeded in working with impunity.

We intend to give one or two examples of the sort of cases to which we are referring, and which are causing the police so much trouble and uneasiness.

Drastic steps

Enquiries which have been made by a JOHN BULL investigator have brought to light some amazing facts.

Few people can have the slightest knowledge of the extent to which this "intimidation" scandal has been allowed to develop. Judges and magistrates in all parts of the country, we find, have repeatedly protested, and some have urged from the Bench the need for stern means to be devised to bring the chief offenders to book.

It is arising out of this that drastic measures are now being taken by Scotland Yard.

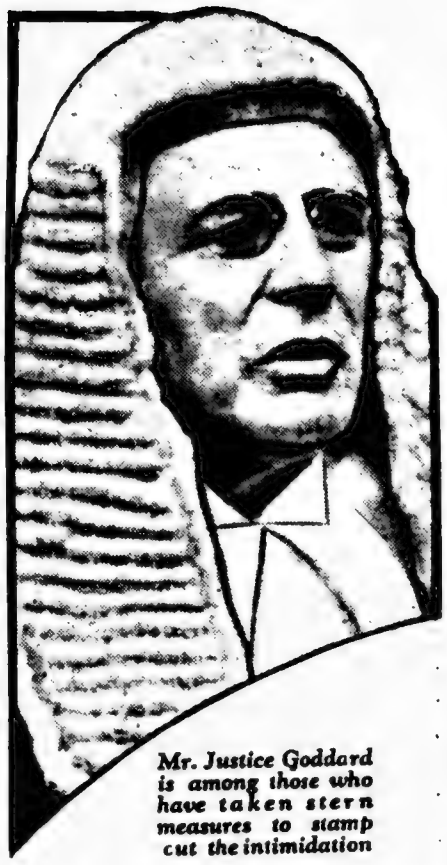
A well-known Chief Inspector, famous throughout the Metropolitan Police Force as a man completely without fear, has been entrusted with the delicate task of tackling this growing menace.

No better man could have been picked for the job, and he will be assisted in his work by a squad of specially detailed detectives who are all well fitted for what everyone will readily appreciate is about the most dangerous and difficult task imaginable.

It would not be politic to say more than that, or to hint at the methods they are likely to employ in rounding up known rogues of the gangster type. But the public may look for speedy developments and satisfying results from their united efforts.

At Bow Street Police Court a few days ago, Sir Rollo Graham Campbell had before him several men who were charged with using threats to a proprietor of a West End club. Because this man refused their advances it was alleged that they entered his premises and "smashed him up."

When Detective-Sergeant Wakeling, who was in charge of the case, went into the witness-box he made some amazing statements. He revealed that essential witnesses had been tampered with. "They are afraid to come here," he said. "They are afraid for their lives. . . . One has confessed to me that he has been told that if he gives evidence he will be slashed."



Mr. Justice Goddard is among those who have taken stern measures to stamp out the intimidation

Sir Rollo Graham Campbell knows better than anyone, from his long experience, how often witnesses in certain cases are intimidated by men of the gangster type who thrive on hooliganism. So he asked Sergeant Wakeling if he knew who the men were who had threatened the witnesses.

"They won't say," replied the officer. "They are simply terrified. And the evidence they have given is completely at variance with the signed statements they had originally made before they had been threatened and interfered with."

It is because this is only one case in scores which are reported to the police that Scotland Yard's "drive" against the intimidators has begun. It is imperative that the course of justice shall not be perverted, and it was one of Lord Trenchard's last decisions before he retired from Scotland Yard that special efforts should be made to round up the hooligans who assist criminals to evade the well-merited punishment they deserve.

Terror-stricken

At the London Sessions, about three months ago, Judge Whiteley sympathised with a young woman who stood in the witness-box in tears.

She had been called to the Court to disclose what she knew about a warehouse robbery in the East End of London.

The questions which were put to her caused her great distress, and under the examination of counsel, she intimated that she was afraid to tell what she knew.

"I have been threatened since police officers interviewed me," she confessed. "I am really afraid to come out of the house!"

Her story was only too true. Detective-Inspector Chapman went into the box and told a story that was equally as amazing as that disclosed by Sergeant Wakeling at Bow Street.

The Inspector said that in her original statement the girl had admitted that she was taken in a car with the men in the dock and saw them steal. She had been twice intimidated in the interval which had passed since she made that statement to the police and special steps were taken to ensure that she would give her evidence personally in court.

"She is here, my lord," the Inspector continued, "with a police guard. She has been under protection for some days now, and police patrol cars have been used in order to ensure that no interference would actually take place."

Mr. Justice Goddard, at Leeds Assizes the other day, commented on the fact that in his long experience he had discovered that the intimidation of witnesses was growing much too common.

Anonymous notes

He had before him a racecourse pest named George Weston. This man has been convicted on no fewer than twenty occasions for various offences. His presence before Mr. Justice Goddard arose out of a blackmailing plot in which the victim was a bookmaker who refused to pay for "protection" he had never sought, and who was badly assaulted as a result.

The Leeds police did their utmost to bring a successful case against the ruffians responsible. Weston immediately, with the assistance of other men who escaped, started to threaten witnesses that if they spoke the truth they would be assaulted. With appropriate condemnation Mr. Justice Goddard inflicted upon Weston a sentence of twelve months' hard labour.

Only just previously, before the Leeds magistrates, three men were charged with wounding with intent and inflicting grievous bodily harm. The allegations arose out of the fact that during an uproar at a local club nine people had been injured.

Superintendent Moss told the magistrates that a number of anonymous letters had been sent to witnesses which had caused them annoyance and fear.

Glasgow police have been called upon to deal with a number of these cases, and are to be congratulated on the fact that they recently succeeded in rounding up a particularly bad gang of offenders.

The gravity of some of these "intimidation" offences cannot be exaggerated. In one case, which occurred during a prosecution at Marylebone Police Court a few months ago, three of the most important witnesses failed to appear. A barrister, several police officers, court officials and the magistrate all wasted their time in consequence.

Subsequent enquiries showed that, through threats, one witness had vanished, another was too ill to appear, while a third—already ill—had died.

At the Old Bailey recently several conspiracy charges were investigated by the Common Serjeant. The chief testimony was expected to come from a woman who knew a good deal about the operations of one of the accused, but who was absent when the case was called. Her presence was essential if the trial was to be successfully concluded, and the judge adjourned the case until the following sessions.

Police officers did their utmost to trace the missing witness, but all their efforts were unavailing. The threats made to her were of such a terrifying character that she vanished rather than face the court.

Vine Street detectives not long ago dealt with a case in which a man was nearly killed in a West End mews. He had been found lying with serious wounds in both face and chest, and was unconscious for several hours. Had he died the ruffians who were engaged in the assault—and who were paid handsomely for their services by two men who had quarrelled with the victim—would naturally have been charged with murder. But, as the victim lived, and was too terrified and intimidated to tell the truth and prosecute, the culprits escaped. The police knew who they were, but what could be done if the chief witness would not talk?

Unsolved murder

It is even recorded in official crime files that in a murder case last year, which remains unsolved, at least two men who could have given evidence that might have convicted the murderer refused to tell what they knew because of the all-too-real fear that they would be assaulted if they did.

In an East End hostelry about a dozen men were concerned in a scene that arose out of a feud between two street bookmakers. Glasses were broken and thrown about and one of the bars at the hotel wrecked. A middle-aged man, badly mauled and bleeding profusely, was taken away to hospital.

Several people were interviewed by the police and statements taken. The men involved in the brawl were strangers to the district. Some of

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EVEN in this country the gangster's practice of threatening witnesses has grown at an alarming rate. The fight against this threat to British justice must be fiercely waged

them, the police discovered, were paid hirelings of gangs who specialise in "intimidation." But there was no prosecution owing to lack of evidence.

One of the worst recent cases of intimidation occurred at Croydon. A woman was found gagged, and died, as the outcome of her severe injuries. The police were able to secure the arrest and conviction of her assailants, but their chief witness was tampered with to such an extent that for a long time he refused to give evidence. He did so finally with police protection, but told the court that he was "absolutely scared" when asked the cause of his reticence.

The official records relating to this intimidation evil contain at least one case in which a victim committed suicide because she was so terrified. She was interviewed by a police officer and questioned about the operations of a notorious woman crook.

Three men threatened to "beat her up" unless she kept quiet. Their threats grew so menacing that she was given a special police guard. Even so, she was so worried by the threats that she gassed herself.

Only a few days ago a bookmaker called at a London police station in a state bordering on collapse. He said that fifteen men had set about him. He gave descriptions of some of his assailants, and said that he would prosecute if they could be found.

Powerless

On the day following his visit he refused to say another word. Three of the men who had threatened him had, in the meantime, scared him into silence. And without his testimony the police were powerless to act.

Even when menaced witnesses are persuaded to give evidence justice is often not done. Constantly a good police "case," as the result of watered-down evidence, can only be successfully sustained with the utmost difficulty, if at all.

There was a typical example of this at the Old Bailey when a man and a woman were put in the dock there on a most serious charge, and the chief witness was a girl who had been compelled to live immorally under their sway.

During the hearing at the police court and the date of the Old Bailey trial the girl disappeared. The police discovered that she had been living in different parts of the country in the interval, and was in hiding because several men of the hooligan type had molested her. When she was found, she denied that the facts she had given in her original statement were true, and gave her evidence so badly that the police officers in the case were lucky to get a conviction.

Sir Percival Clarke, in yet another case of this abominable type, not long ago uttered words of denunciation during a prosecution he tried at the London Sessions.

A woman had told this Judge that she had been threatened not to give proper evidence at the trial. "It cannot be too widely known," said Sir Percival, "that any person who uses threats or intimidation, or by any other means endeavours to pervert the ends of justice or dissuade witnesses from giving evidence, is liable to the severest punishment!"

But how often do they get it? Very rarely indeed.

Remarks of a similar character to those of Sir Percival Clarke are constantly being made in provincial courts.

A dramatic scene occurred last summer at the Newcastle Quarter Sessions. To three men charged with safe-breaking, the Recorder made some severe comments.

Big drive needed

The men had requested bail, but the police objected on the ground that witnesses had been interfered with.

"Stand up, you three!" ordered the Recorder to the men in the dock. "I want to say this to you and your friends—if they are within hearing.

"If I hear one single word, and it is corroborated, that any witness in this case is spoken to, I shall know how to deal with the person who does it. And my dealings shall be neither light nor merciful!"

We could quote many other cases to show that this "intimidation of witnesses" scandal has assumed such widespread and dangerous proportions that Scotland Yard's campaign has not been begun a moment too soon.

But it should not be limited to London. The police forces of the rest of the country should take it up with equal zeal if this new threat to British justice is to be completely removed.

Only by making a determined and concerted drive can the police authorities effectively suppress the rogues of the gangster type who are now showing such undesirable activity.

Our potential racketeers must be shown a firm hand at once and discouraged from emulating transatlantic methods. They must be made to realise once and for all that organised ruffianism can never be tolerated in this country.

Whenever offenders of this despicable class are brought before judges or magistrates they should be punished with the utmost severity.

It must not be thought that we have coloured the picture too highly or that we have any desire to play the part of scaremonger. The actual cases we have cited show how menacing the situation has become.

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Round the World on a 'Bullet'

(No. 2)

LAST week you got as far as Ceylon with the man who went round the world "on a 'Bullet.'" To-day you may continue to fascinating Manila.

Your magic carpet is the graphic diary kept throughout by Mr. C. H. Turner, of 6, Fairview Road, Woodthorpe, Nottingham, whose wife won this remarkable world cruise for her family on the luxury liner "Empress of Britain" in a "Bullets" competition some months ago with £1,000 cash and £5 a week pension added.

Here is the second instalment of the graphic and delightful picture of the world as they saw it.

Mr. Turner and his son with one of the stone guardians outside a Siamese Temple

WEDNESDAY, February 20, to Friday, February 22: Sailing for Ceylon, with all the joys of deck games and social events.

On Washington's birthday everybody presented with a red papier-maché hatchet. My wife indulges in a duel with a male passenger, but no damage done.

Then, after a good sleep induced by our busy round of life and that late night game of bridge—

Saturday, February 23: Awake at Colombo.

This is a large and busy harbour, to be sure. Ships of all sizes and nationalities, some about 150 to 200 years old and still in daily use are here.

Ashore, our road lies through tropical scenery of wonderful luxuriance and beauty. Everywhere great forests of giant coconut palms wave in the warm scented breeze.

About 30 miles out we halt at the estate of Sir Solomon Dias Bunderanacke, K.C., M.G., known in native circles as "the Great Chief" and the uncrowned king of Kandy. Enormously wealthy, he has had a distinguished diplomatic career.

Watch performance of some trained elephants, and then Sir Solomon sends a servant to invite us up to the house, showing us some captive rare snakes and his wonderful collection of racing cups and trophies.

Now the road begins to climb up into low mountains in which Kandy is situated.

We drive up hairpin mountain bends, at disconcerting speed, to reach it.

We see an interesting display of devil dancing by natives in special dancing ceremonial costume, to the "music" of beaten drums and many weird yells calculated to frighten the "devils" away.

Passing on, we visit the neighbouring Buddhist Temple of the Tooth, wherein is enshrined a reputed tooth of Buddha. The main idea is extraction—of money from visitors!

Then we drive to a large elephant park, where numbers of these huge creatures are disporting themselves in a wide shallow river. Some of us mount on these ungainly steeds.

The return to Colombo is very lovely. Wonderful flowering trees, coconut and betel-nut palms, rubber trees, bananas, and all kinds of giant ferns are profuse.

At Colombo we visit a chemist for some small purchases, and I order a silk suit and a white drill dinner-jacket—to be ready to-morrow.

Sunday, February 24: We drive to Shandars, try on suits, and make a few small purchases.

We get many interesting glimpses of native life, amongst them of the Buddhist priests, with their shaven heads and saffron robes, collecting their ration of rice from each house in large bowls.

They offer no thanks, as the gifts are technically made as a thankoffering by the donors to the god.

Then we re-enter cars and drive seven miles to Mount Lavinia, the bay fringed by groves of coconut palms and the water a lovely blue and foaming in white on the rocks. The sea looks so inviting that my son and I have a swim.

During tea we hear a commotion and see one of the native fishermen has hooked a seagull which has swooped down on his bait. He lets it go unharmed, but it is the only thing I saw caught during the afternoon.

Wednesday, February 27: Crowds of native rowing boats surround the ship selling quaint wares. Ebony elephants predominate.

PURCHASES are made by placing the goods in a bag, which is then hauled up the ship's side and vigorous bargaining then begins, bids being shouted up and down. Then the money is placed in the bag, which is lowered, or, if agreement is not reached, the goods returned the same way.

Great fun, and ship's side lined with gesticulating passengers.

I buy four pineapples for about 10d.

That over, off to Penang

Thursday, February 28: Meeting of travel club, at which I take the chair. Discussion on our Ceylon experiences.

Friday, March 1: Swimming contest in deck pool. My son wins competition for diving for plates, picking up 17 out of 20 in one dive.

Our sunbath this morning is overdone. The sky is cloudy, so do not think there is any risk. Wife and I both have arms, chest and legs badly burnt and pain intense. I buy some cooling cream at ship's shop, but pain is still acute, and we can hardly sit through dinner and subsequent talk on Penang.

Saturday, March 2: Ship arrives at Penang about 8 p.m.—very picturesque approach.

WE take car to interesting Buddhist temple built up the side of a mountain. Climb very exhausting, but it is our first experience of Chinese architecture.

Sacred turtles come crowding in hundreds to the back of a pool.

Inside the temple we see a colossal wood image of the "laughing Buddha." Curious metal lanterns and temple bells hang round, and the air is full of the scent of burning joss-sticks.

Driving round, I get my first contact with a *real* tropical island. Tall palms reach down to the water's edge. White shining sands and waves break on rocks that are set in a sea that varies from emerald green near the shore to a sapphire blue away towards the horizon.

We pass forests of giant coconut trees, betel-nut palms. We also pass a native funeral Both corpse and mourners are being conveyed in bright yellow motor-omnibuses.

In the Buddhist edifice known as the "Snake Temple" dozens of somnolent snakes, of various sizes and colours, lie around curled on branches of dwarf trees, before the shrine and on tables, window ledges and in all kinds of odd corners. We are informed that they descend at night and feed on eggs which the worshippers leave for them.

One of the Chinese attendants lets off some fire crackers, which I understand forms a part of their ritual and is supposed to call the attention of the god to the fact that they are praying. The monkeys on surrounding trees jump around excitedly.

Sunday, March 3: Ship entering Singapore Harbour, a perfect sunny evening enhancing the scene.

Singapore's streets are wide and clean, with trolley cars. All the shops have Chinese characters on them.

Driving to the native State of Johore, situated on the mainland, a few miles of our road lies through original jungle reservation.

The State of Johore is ruled by a native Sultan under British suzerainty. It is separated from Singapore Island by a stone causeway.

The palace and private mosque of the Sultan (who is married to an Englishwoman) are very beautifully situated on a hill overlooking the strait on which Chinese native junks are sailing.

In its lovely gardens we see, for the first time, specimens of the "travellers palm"—a peculiar tree whose branches extend from the main stem in fan formation, the leaves at the tips giving the appearance of a giant fan.

At the base of each branch, where it joins the parent stem, is a cuplike formation containing a drinkable fluid which has, on many occasions, been the salvation of lost travellers—hence the name.

Pineapples grow wild all over the place. Everywhere, in forest clearings, are to be found the quaint native houses standing on piles and made of wood or palm matting.

CONTINUING, I purchase some quaint paper "prayers" designed to be burnt as offerings before the image in a Buddhist temple.

Thursday, March 7: We reach Bangkok at about 5 a.m.

This part of Siam is very flat and intersected by rivers and canals.

There are no roads and the population, mainly fishermen, live either in boats or in crazy-looking structures erected on piles. Our train journey involves crossing many bridges, canals and streams, all of them crowded with native dwellings, and later there are dense thickets of giant palm ferns and other tropical growths.

Reaching Bangkok, we find a fleet of first-class cars awaiting us. One of the marvels of this cruise is the manner in which a fleet of really good and efficient cars is conjured up in the most unlikely of places.

The interiors of the temples here are most elaborate. Hardly a single inch of floor, wall or ceiling that is not covered with painting or ornament. The shrines themselves have the appearance of being constructed of solid gold. The doors are often made of black wood, minutely inlaid with pictures in mother-of-pearl.

In the Royal State apartments, which exceed in lavish decoration anything that one could imagine, we see the throne room, audience chamber and coronation hall, with its magnificent towering pinnacled throne and the State bed.

The palace authorities are particular as to visitors' dress, and we are warned that ladies are to wear stockings, and that for men shorts and collarless or open-neck shirts are prohibited.

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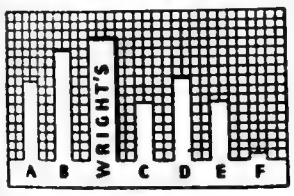

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Round the World on a 'Bullet' — (Continued from page 22)

the famous temple of the Emerald Buddha. Only the face, hands and feet are visible, as the body is clothed in ceremonial garments which are changed three times every year at special festivals.

After lunch we embark on the river, which is crowded with traffic and very fast-flowing and dirty.

A lady of our party slips on steps and falls in. She is immediately hauled out by the attendants, and, save for being soaked to the skin in muddy water, is little the worse for her experience.

A three-hour journey in the dark down the river brings us to the open sea, where the ship is anchored.

BEFORE the tender starts we are attacked by a horde of mosquitoes, but are assured they are not poisonous. They can sting, however, as we find out.

And now for Batavia.

Saturday, March 9: To-day we cross the Equator.

We all assemble round the open-air bath on the forward deck for the Neptune ceremony, a weird procession headed by piebald "natives" providing the "music."

Each initiate is in turn brought forward and given the choice between execution and shaving.

After the official ceremony some of the younger members of the party run amok, and several fully dressed and inoffensive passengers are seized and thrown into the bath. Fortunately, they all take it in good part, though in several instances considerable damage is done to clothing.

Sunday, March 10: Batavia reached. So this is Java!

In the botanical gardens are a species of giant lotus whose leaves are some yard or more in diameter, and are said to be capable of supporting the weight of a young child.

We begin drive to Bandoeng, and as we ascend the winding road up the mountain it gets cooler and cooler. Near the top we are glad to put on waterproofs and wraps.

After dinner wife and I stroll across to the Homann Hotel to see Sir William and Lady Perring, with whom we stop and have drinks.

At the hotel where we stay the night there are two hard pillows and a "dutch wife," a hard bolster laid lengthways down the bed and used to support any odd portion of one's anatomy and enable a circulation of air to get around the limbs. There are no bedclothes at all.

The strangest thing of all, however, is the bathroom, which has no bath, but, instead, a square vat of water, at one end of which is placed a tin dipper.

We stand on a wooden mat on the tiled floor, and scooping water from the vat with the "dipper" souse it over our bodies and everything else. We then strive to find a dry spot on which to stand to dry.

Monday, March 11: At Garoet, where we are to spend the night, wife and I buy two "carongs" of old hand batik from native vendors. One has to be careful buying batik as there is much imitation stuff offered.

Then Lake Leles, where native boys and girls play and dance to us.

The "music," a kind of rhythmic five-note chant, is played on bamboo instruments of their own make, each instrument providing one note. They maintain marvellous time and rhythm.

THERE are a number of girls of about twelve and thirteen carrying tiny babies. We are informed they are the mothers of these children.

Tuesday, March 12: Our train climbs right up through a mountain pass en route for Djocja.

Everywhere streams come tumbling down the hillside, and forests of young green bamboo send feathery spikes quivering into the hot air.

The engines on this line burn wood, and smuts blow in through the open windows till we are smothered with black. It is so stiflingly hot, however, that we endure this sooner than shut out the air.

At Djocja one lady of our party is horrified to find a snake in her bathroom. The management, however, assures her it is kept there for the purpose of catching the mice.

We visit the ruined Water Palace of the Sultan, who to-day has forty-four wives and ninety-six children.

Mrs. Turner preferred to look on here while her husband mounted the elephant at Kandy

Then we see an exhibition of Javanese Wayang Wong dancing by natives in the traditional costume, much more "alive" than the Siamese dancing. The music is provided chiefly by gongs of various tones.

Wednesday, March 13: Have a very interesting drive passing the active volcano "Merapi"; it is a perfect cone about 8,000 feet high.

Some three years or so ago it erupted unexpectedly, wiping out a village of 600 people in a night.

Now the "temple," Boroboedoer, an enormous structure, roughly bell-shaped, and comprising some half-dozen stories or terraces.

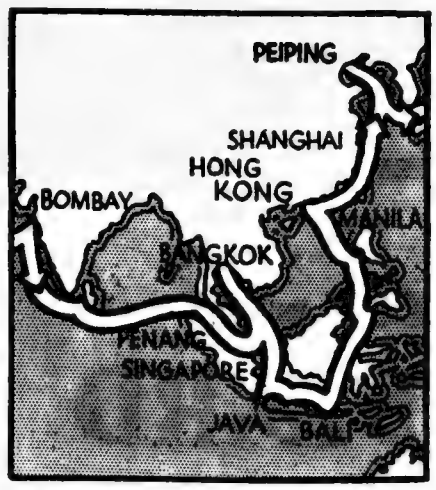
AROUND the top of it a great swarm of butterflies and dragon-flies quiver in the hot air.

Thursday, March 14: Catch train for Banjowangi, to find *Empress of Britain* awaiting us.

There is a choppy sea running, and I get soaked by the water breaking over the boat. And so we sail for Bali.

Friday, March 15: Lovely island with huge mountain dominating everything is Bali. It is justly termed the island of a thousand temples.

The men and women wear no clothing above the waist, except on occasions of temple feasts. The sight of fine well-built women, swinging along with an upright, free carriage, bearing on their heads great baskets of fruit or jars of water, the sun gleaming on golden bronze breasts and backs, makes a lovely picture. We visit the native court



This map shows the second stage of the Turner family's world trip.

house, an open-air structure to wh one mounts by a flight of steps.

The inside is decorated with v paintings of the Balinese versions Heaven and Hell and demons torment the wicked in all kinds of ways.

We make s small purchases the stalls, and th after lunch, drive the temple and phant Cave, a natu cave containing grotesque figure of elephant god.

We pass a temple Kosamba, wherein the "Bats' Cave."

Hundreds of th sands of bats here, swarming over the roof and another, many them wheeling rou trying in vain to f a foothold somewhe

We are warned to disturb these cr tures as they are garded as sacred.

Saturday, Ma 16: Another act volcano and a sac lake.

On our way back ship we cross t rivers, in each of wh large numbers of men and women bathing completely devoid of cloth The men bathe up stream and women down.

They do not seem to mind us looki on in the least.

Monday, March 18: I play in finals mixed doubles shuffleboard, and win! understand my partner and I each a small silver cup for this at a later da

Tuesday, March 19: We reach Za boanga, in the Philippines.

MEN and women come crowd around the tender, shouting coins to be thrown in the wat for which they dive.

Their catamarans are crazy looki craft, often merely dugouts with bamb floats.

Now we enter cars on the quay a drive across the island to a Moro villa The village is of wood and matting hu built on piles, and swarms with peop who, like the homes, are filthy dirty.

In the island there is a large pen establishment, beautifully situated a run on humanitarian lines.

Well-behaved prisoners live in cotta outside the prison walls, and have th wives and families to live with them the expense of the Government.

Zamboanga is an island of flowe Beautiful orchids grow in streamers. W take a large bunch of the flowers ba to the ship with us, but have to thro them away.

They swarm with ants!

Getting over the shock, we sail f Manila.

Wednesday, March 20: Sunny, wi sea like a sheet of glass, when we ent Manila Harbour.

The setting sun is tinging the sea wi a delicate pink. Above the distant whi buildings of the town a full moon rising, big and yellow.

To complete the picture, the celebrat band of the Manila Constabulary pla us into the port. Their music is fine.

We drive to the famous Santa An Cabaret, reputed to possess the large dance floor in the world. It tak several normal length dances to get on around it.

Thursday, March 21: We drive arou the shops and make some purchases.

Our departure is most picturesque.

Inhabitants throng the landing sta the men in white, the women in g coloured frocks. The band plays live airs, and from the deck of the sh hundreds of paper streamers are throw to the quay, to part and go streamin out in the wind as we gently move o to cheers and the strains of "Auld La Syne."

We're off to Hong Kong!

NEXT WEEK: We visit hotel's exclusives to t dead on our way to Yokohama.

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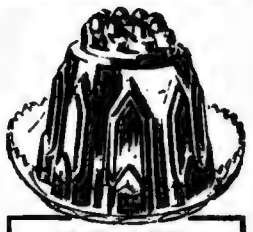

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HUMAN DOCUMENTS probed by PHILIP INMAN

THE young man of to-day has chances which his father never had. The gates of knowledge have been opened wide to him through the medium of wireless. He can learn foreign languages, economics, science. He can listen to talks on politics, finance and world affairs.

And there are other doorways for the keen and ambitious youth. There are night schools and extension lectures at centres throughout the country. Correspondence colleges bring tuition in every branch of life to the very door.

This is undoubtedly an age of opportunity, and wise is the young fellow who makes the most of it. Prudent are the parents who help him to do so. But let me make one thing quite clear: in achieving anything that is worth while difficulties are bound to be encountered. Here is a mother who has found that to be true. Listen to what she says:

"My husband is an electrical fitter and earns on an average £3 10s. per week. Unfortunately all the money we had saved went a little time ago during a spell of eighteen months' unemployment. My son, at the age of eleven, won a free scholarship to the secondary school. Last June, at the age of fifteen, he gained his matriculation (with honours).

"His headmaster has asked me what studies I wish him to take up. I said he was very keen to become a doctor, but that it was out of the question as we could not afford it, but he replied that it was *not* out of the question. He told me that he thought him capable of winning a scholarship to Cambridge.

"I am naturally pleased that he is to be given this splendid chance, but I am dreadfully worried as to whether I can really let him take it. When I think of the examination fees and the cost of instruments, in addition to other expenses, my brain positively reels. He is a fine, steady lad, and worthy of all that can be done for him, and I would feel it dreadfully if I have to stop him, but it would be far kinder to do it now than perhaps in a year or two's time. I should be most grateful for your opinion."

I ENTIRELY agree with the headmaster. The poorest lad to-day can become a doctor. Quite recently a young fellow qualified who had worked in the pits until he was eighteen. He won his way through by means of scholarships and by working as a waiter in the evenings.

That example can be multiplied many times over. Grit allied to natural ability will bring success. And these things show themselves in climbing the first step on the ladder which is the passing of the matriculation examination.

The son of my correspondent has already surmounted that obstacle "with honours." If he can now obtain an exhibition tenable at Cambridge so much the better, as there he could take the first part of his medical curriculum. Failing that, his mother should apply to the Dean of the Hospital Medical School for details of scholarships.

It may be interesting to mention that in London it costs about £300 to qualify, and this is spread over the five years' course. This includes fees, books, instruments, examination fees, social and athletic club fees and pocket-money, but not living expenses.

Many students are fortunate in that they can live at home during at least part of their training, and so save the cost of lodgings, and, as I say, the financial burden can be eased by obtaining scholarships which are available at most teaching hospitals. But remember, you young men who would be doctors, the matriculation examination must be your first goal.

Parents should not be scared into allowing their child's talents to waste because of the "cost of learning." This is often a mythical difficulty

Bright Boy *of the* Family

My next letter is from an ambitious young man who, like many others, feels himself to be in a rut. He writes:—

"My age is twenty-two, and by trade I am a draper. I have served four years' apprenticeship and am now employed in my father's shop. Could you advise me whether to stick to drapery or 'polish up' one of the other jobs I can do? I have a good knowledge of wireless; also I could manage a garden and do carpentry. If you advise me to remain in my present work, how could I set about improving myself?

"I am a good salesman, and have just worked up a good round for my shop, but I am afraid my present prospects will never give me a chance to get married. I want to get on but at present I feel myself to be in a rut. Would it be any use writing to one or two big stores in London? People here tell me I ought to be satisfied, and advise me to wait until times improve, but I don't agree with them. I shall greatly appreciate your advice."

Now, this is one of my creeds. No man can do his best work unless he is happy in his job. This young fellow tells me many things about him. But one thing he leaves out—and the most important. Does he like work? He ought to know, for he been in it for several years.

If he can't put his heart and into it then let him find something that he can, but on that point he make up his mind.

His danger is that he may becom "Jack of all trades." He talks ab wireless, gardening, carpentry. may be good in their way, but in e one he would find snags as in his sent work. Unless this young has any real antipathy to drapery would be better to stick to it.

After all, he works in his fath shop, and if he does well he should given a share in business. He lives good-sized town w there should be for extension. He already proved this working up "a round." Some young are so desperately patient. The prov may be hackneyed, bu is very true—"Rome not built in a day."

So long as progress sure it had far better steady. The best bu ings are those with soundest foundations. saying these things I not wish to curb correspondent's natu ambitions. If he re feels there is no possi scope where he is, t it is right he should for a position with p pects. To do this should write to staff managers of the big London sto giving details of his perience and ability asking for a chance applying for any vaca which may occur. should also scan the vertisement columns in the natio and trade papers. It might also worth while to insert a small "Wante advertisement himself.

And here is a letter from anot young man who is also concerned ab his future:—

"I am a country youth, aged twe and have worked in a small printing o for six years, being the only employee. am ambitious and keen about my w and my employer, who is now seven four, is 'one of the best.' My problem this: Shall I give up my present job try to get a better one with prospects, ought I to remain here in the hope getting the business when my emplo retires in a few years' time?

"I should have to borrow the mo to buy the business, as my parents not in a position to help me, and a am only getting twenty-seven shilling week there is no chance of saving much.

"I served an apprenticeship of years, and my employer wrote a good timonial on my indenture. I should to give him as much notice as I before leaving to give him time to another lad to learn something of trade."

WHAT my correspondent should is to have a talk with employer, who is, I am to "one of the best." But before he d that he must satisfy himself on the points. Supposing he ultimately ceeds to this business, will that conte him? Is there a satisfactory living it, and is there room for extending it? If so, then as this employer obvious appreciates this young man's work might feel it essential to keep him a allow him to purchase the business easy instalments. If there is no chan of my correspondent acquiring the co cern he should most certainly lo round for another position.

Otherwise, if anything happened his employer, he might find the bu ness sold over his head and be witho a job. This young man is very wise taking steps to safeguard his future.

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What Price Glory!

—THE WAR THAT WON NOTHING

They march to what they think is glory—but the few who come back find unbelievable poverty and misery

ARMISTICE DAY has come at last to Bolivia and Paraguay, the two "pocket republics" of South America that for three years have been engaged in one of the bitterest wars—don't let us judge it by its size—the world has ever known.

Already gaunt women too fever-ridden and starved to raise a cheer are gazing at the proclamations in the streets. Already they are saying, "It's all over now" to children who will never really know the end of it, because they can never recover, now, from the awful privations they have endured.

Soon the troops will be coming home. There will be talk of victory, although nobody could name a single thing either side has won.

And as for war aims—ostensibly the control of the pitilessly barren Gran Chaco jungle-hell, but really because foreign oil speculators set the nations at each other's throats in the first place and foreign armament manufacturers egged them on in the second place—they will be conveniently forgotten because nobody has achieved them.

Indeed, the International Commission that is to work out a final solution cannot give either side as much as both might have had at the very start.

The military manuals of various Powers alone can speak in terms of profit to the world, noting down that "it has been profitably demonstrated that in any future war the new magazine pistol and the latest type of light quick-firing field gun that can be carried into action by three men will have to be reckoned with."

Well, now let us see what it has cost the world to give militarism this useful lesson, the armament industry this valuable opportunity for trying out its new "children"

Let us look at the two countries a few days before their men marched away three years ago *in boots*. The importance of those words lies in the fact that they will return barefoot.

IN the towns of Paraguay the populace, mainly whites of Spanish descent, stroll grandly to their siestas. In the orange groves, which yield fifty million of the fruit every year for world consumption, native Indians laze at their jobs.

On extraordinarily fertile pastures, on wax and honey farms, in maize, rice, coffee, cocoa, indigo, tobacco and sugar-cane fields, the men of Paraguay pursue their effortless existence.

And now Bolivia. Her population of 1,500,000 is bigger, more swarthy and Indian, and—partly because the climate is colder and more bracing—less indolent. In rich, rolling forests, among copal and caoutchouc trees, among pine-apples and bananas, they do their work more energetically.

And everywhere there is over-coloured family life—too demonstratively affectionate, almost, one might say of these South American Latins—in those few days before the men of Bolivia and Paraguay march away to war.

No need to follow the course of that terrible war. Let us look at those two countries of emerald-blue skies and evergreen plains or forests *now*—after war has held them in her grim clutches for three awful years.

In both countries the Universities are closed and decaying, the schools empty, child life decimated by terrible fevers brought back by men from the front.

ROADS have never known a pick for three long years. Forests that used to yield livelihoods are choked with undergrowth. Plantations have died. The landscapes, everywhere, suggest that a curse of barrenness has fallen on the world, a prelude to life dying out altogether.

In the hospitals women and children shriek out under the agony of the surgeon's knife. Anæsthetics become rare when bullets and blades do their work too well. Why, not even the armies have them in sufficient quantities, the troops chewing coca leaves stoically as the knife cuts.

Peep into Paraguay... An earthquake might have wrought the havoc you see. Yet worse still is the less visible damage.

There are eleven women to every man! Think of that, you men of all nations who dare to try to glorify war. They go to the shrines where they used to pray for childbirth once a year, to keep up their prestige in their villages, but nowadays to ask for death.

Legal marriage is forgotten, except in the cities.

A man is too precious a possession for one woman.

ALONG roads ankle-deep in septic dust come her men, returning with their stories of the war—and what stories! Remember that she has lost 50,000 men, *more than she has under arms at any one moment.*

And in her war hospitals are hundreds and hundreds of soldiers dying from galloping consumption, contracted in the steaming marshes in which they fought, and from which death will bring release within three months. It has been doing so for three years.

Then look at Bolivia. . . . She is short of antiseptics as well as anæsthetics. There is small-pox in her civilian hospitals and military hospitals as well.

There are not enough nurses and doctors to attend to dying and suffering women and children, for she, too, has lost more men than her army has ever totalled at one time during the war.

Even boys of fourteen come back home with their terrible war stories, for a lad must go straight to the front from school unless his parents want to suffer confiscation of their whole estate and the lad exile for ever.

They tell of a dreadful road to the front line, along which the air is unbreathable because of rotting bodies, and which is lined with whitened bodies, vulture-picked, which show by their awful postures ten thousand stories of agonised death.

AND there, as in Paraguay, babies die for want of ordinary, plain food in fields that used to yield luxuries that came—via Covent Garden—to us in Britain.

Yes, the men will soon be marching home from war in Bolivia and Paraguay.

The League of Nations, snubbed when it had something to offer to both sides, will see the pathetic spectacle of both nations waiting humbly for mere nothings.

There will be heart-breaking reunions in 80,000 simple homes—none at all in 100,000 that have lost their menfolk. And somewhere among this indescribable, heart-breaking misery someone who is blind to the desolation and chaos round him will mention glory.

What price glory?

"The Greatest of These—"

Dread Letter

CECILIA'S ex-Service father was badly gassed at Arras in 1918. He joined up in 1915, served in France, Mesopotamia, Palestine and finished up in Germany. He was wounded and torpedoed.

He has suffered agonies since the war from gastric ulcers, and has been, he states, "cut to pieces having operations since."

His doctor now advises a further operation.

In consequence of so much sickness, he has only worked for about six months in the last five years. Naturally, his family has suffered much. "It would take me a whole day," he writes, "to tell you the trouble my wife has had with the children and myself. She had a bad operation after the birth of one of the children, and I know some days she can hardly stand up, but she never complains."

The medical history of four out of his six children is also pathetic. The eldest boy is unable to work as he has heart trouble and t.b.

Cecilia, the only girl, now aged fourteen, might get work in a mill, as she is a little Lancashire lass, but as she has been treated in hospital for six months for St. Vitus's dance, the doctor does not consider mill work advisable.

A boy, aged eleven, has been in poor health since the amputation of two fingers two years ago. The next boy, aged seven, is described as "only like a child of five years old." The youngest boys' ages are two-and-a-half years and six months. As the family has to be housed, fed and clothed on less than £2 a week, we are not surprised that Cecilia's father finds it hard to put into words what his wife and the children are enduring. A further blow has been dealt by the receipt of a letter threatening them with eviction because their rent of 9s. 4d. is some weeks in arrears.

"I personally know," states their Vicar, "that Cecilia's father has had a very hard struggle to maintain his wife and family. I can commend his case."

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It is difficult to imagine such a triviality having anything to do with a great gathering of girls—more than 1,200 of them in a Revel and Display at the Albert Hall, London—or huge congregations for Thanksgiving Services at St. Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey.

Actually that little notebook sowed the seed for it all, and on Monday, June 24, when the Girls' Friendly Society begins its Diamond Jubilee Anniversary week, it will be celebrating the triumph of the plan which was first roughly outlined in Mrs. Townsend's notebook in 1872.

Members of the Girls' Friendly Society in the Thanksgiving Service procession at Westminster Abbey in 1925. They celebrate 60 years of friendship on June 24

At that time Mrs. Townsend, who lived at Shedfield Lodge, in Hampshire, had been asked by Samuel Wilberforce, Bishop of Winchester, to join in an organisation for rescue work which he was starting in his diocese.

Almost at the first meeting the thought came to Mrs. Townsend's practical mind—"If the power of rescue work could be increased so much by organisation, why should work not be started which would prevent girls from needing rescue?"

In her own words: "Ah, if we only knew how many poor girls are lost, how many lives wasted—not for the want of schools or refuges, not for the want of money or expensive organisations, but just for the want of a little love, a few kind words, a smile of interest, to show that they are cared for. If the moment a girl went out into the world she could be furnished with a letter to another friend who would care for her well-being!"

Behind those words was her realisation that a society could be founded which would enable a member to find a friend in any part of the world.

Under the very modest title of "Suggestion for an association for the benefit of young girls of the working class," Mrs. Townsend outlined her scheme in her now celebrated notebook.

Five founders

She showed it first to an old friend with whom she was collaborating in writing a book, Mr. T. V. Fosbery, vicar of St. Giles, Reading. A few months later, in 1873, she confided her inspiration to Miss Agnes Money. These two friends encouraged her to begin her task, which at first she thought she ought to entrust to someone more experienced. Mr. Fosbery assured her that it was *her* task, and to strengthen his argument enlisted the help of Mrs. Tait, wife of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and Mrs. Browne, wife of the Bishop of Winchester.

So it came about that in May, 1874, these four friends, with the addition of a Mrs. Nassau, held their "historic meeting of Five" at Lambeth Palace, and it was decided that the Society should be started on January 1, 1875.

Its present name was chosen because it was hoped to include girls and women of all classes, and "girls" seemed a more friendly term than young women or the stiff Victorian "ladies."

So eager were the "Five" to begin that when January 1 arrived work had been started in four dioceses, and St. Jude's Servants' Home at Brixton opened.

In addition to Mrs. Browne, the Winchester Diocese provided two illustrious Associates to the Society, the Hon. Mrs. Joyce, who later became famous as the pioneer of Protected Emigration for Women, and Charlotte Yonge, who helped many girls with her ready sympathy and held a strong place in their literature.

Still another interesting Associate was

It all Began in a Notebook

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union, which organisation she started in 1876 on the same lines as the G.F.S.

By the end of 1875 there were twenty-five branches at work in fifteen dioceses, one thousand Associates, and between two and three thousand members.

The first central meeting was held in Half Moon Street, Mayfair, where Mrs. Townsend was staying, and the first central council created. By 1878 the Society had extended to the North—to Leeds, Manchester and other towns—as well as to Scotland and Ireland. It had also started work in America at Lowell, Massachusetts.

One of the great landmarks in the sixty years' work of the Society was when, in Westminster Abbey, its members were granted the privilege of presenting a banner to the Abbey as a thankoffering from the girls of the Empire for the men who gave their lives in the Great War. All those who sent contributions had their names inscribed in the Book of Remembrance which is preserved in the Abbey archives.

The Abbey will overflow again at 6 p.m. on June 27 when a thanksgiving service will be held following a Choral Eucharist at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Trained to befriend

It will indeed be a Day of Thanksgiving for Friendship, for Mrs. Townsend's dream that no girl should lack a friend throughout her whole life has become a fact among members of the G.F.S. all the world over.

The candidate system has proved the most effective means of ensuring this. Candidates are entered by their parents as prospective members from the age of eight (members must be twelve years old). These candidates are under the care of a special Associate, who teaches them all about the Society's work, and even these young people are trained to "befriend." This is the homely term they apply to their adoptions from cripples' homes, waifs and strays soci ties, hospitals and so on.

A candidate is encouraged to form mutual friendship with a little girl a home for cripples or incurables, t tiny sufferer is cheered by merry lette gifts of flowers or some other token, a the more welcome when coming fro another child of her own age.

What would those first pioneers of t G.F.S. have said had they been to that with the help of a man worker fro Toc. H. they would be carrying on wor among boys and that the G.F.S. woul actually be taking a pride in its ow cricket team; or that fathers would loo in on a boys' evening to watch boxin

This is what has been happening sinc 1921, when the G.F.S. took over th "White Horse," a public-house in South London slum. The "bar" b came an attractive canteen, the billiard room soon had a piano and plenty c chairs. The "White Horse" is still public-house, they say, but of a differe kind than formerly. Mothers look in fo an afternoon chat. Games, dancing fretwork, carving, sewing, crochet—a play their part.

Only home

Move across London to Deptford. . . In 1922 both the police and socia workers there were deeply concerne because there was nowhere where needy girl could be certain of a night lodgings. The Deptford Council of Youth found a house and asked the G.F.S. t take over its management. Argyll Hous has since become famous. By 1924 had provided lodgings for 2,000 wome and girls. A kindly matron is ready t deal with all kinds of cases—from girl who are in genuine distress, to thos who have run away from home or wor in a fit of temper.

This home is only one among many throughout the country.

Work among the hop-pickers has bee undertaken by members of the G.F.S. for years now. This varies from runnin tea stalls and minding children to holdi ing open-air Sunday schools.

A whole volume could be written about the Society's work in the Dominions and Colonies, but it is sufficient to say that whatever her age or status, no member of the G.F.S. ever arrives in a strange place without a friend to meet her, how-ever remote that place may be.

The saying may be trite, but it is true that a friend in need is a friend indeed, and that is what the G.F.S. Jubilee will really celebrate—Sixty Years of Friendship.

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HOW TO MAKE A NESTLET

Take as a specimen the Example: "PREFERRED ALL ROUND." The initials P-A-R might be re-arranged to suggest the completed NESTLET: "A PERFECT REPAST" which might be further improved as "ATHLETE'S PERFECT REPAST"—so with each of the Examples, some phrase is waiting to be put together which will result in your winning one of the three hundred and fifty-three cash prizes. Send in as many of your efforts as you like—but *each* NESTLET must be accompanied by the wrapper from a half-pound block of NESTLÉ'S Milk Chocolate or by two wrappers from ½ lb. blocks or four wrappers from 2 oz. blocks.

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QUACKS are reaping a rich harvest now they have discovered that there is a lot of money to be made out of the so-called "Foot Clinic."

Throughout the country these self-labelled "Foot Clinics" are springing up.

A brass plate decorates their doors, with "consultation hours" marked upon it, and the inner premises of the more ambitious are fitted out in a pseudo-medical fashion to inspire confidence in clients.

The proprietors, who practise as remedial chiropodists, have no training for the delicate and difficult work they profess to perform.

No branch of medical work has advanced so rapidly during the past few years as chiropody. From being in much the same state as dentistry sixty years ago, it has—during the short space of ten years—rapidly gained favour with the public as a means of relieving pain and discomfort. In addition, as a method of treatment of distressing disabilities, in the hands of scientifically trained practitioners, it has widened its scope considerably.

Because of this, and for the reason there are so many sufferers from foot ailments, particularly among women, chiropody has become an important and profitable business. Hence it is being invaded by an ever-growing army of quacks to the detriment of the public and the disadvantage of the trained and certificated practitioner.

Unqualified persons are attempting to turn the demand for chiropody and the ignorance of the public to their own advantage.

At the present time large numbers of men and women, calling themselves chiropodists, foot specialists, orthopædic experts and so on, are setting out to cure foot ailments. They issue fantastic advertisements and make all kinds of exaggerated claims.

Unaware of risks

Unemployed miners, engineers, clerks and warehousemen and the like, are attempting to practise what they call chiropody. Boot repairers, and even postmen, are endeavouring to supplement their regular earnings by spare-time treatment of the feet.

These charlatans cannot realise the risks attaching to their endeavours, not only risks to themselves, but also to their trusting patients. They do not foresee the danger of using dirty, unsterilised instruments for what is often in the nature of a minor operation, and for which the properly trained chiropodists prepare with as much care as a surgeon. They forget the possibilities of actions for damages on alleged negligence.

Cases are on record of the loss of a toe from the improper cutting of a corn, and the amputation of a foot made necessary from carelessness in dealing with an ingrowing nail.

The exposure in JOHN BULL some months ago of a notorious medical crook who pretended to cure every form of foot ailment and at the same time charged exorbitant fees, is just one example of the evil. There are many other similar institutions open to the gravest possible suspicion.

Generally the position with regard to chiropody in Britain is chaotic. It needs drastic regulation.

Chief of the difficulties lies in the fact that there is no recognised central body to direct the training, and to control the conduct, after qualification, of professional chiropodists.

Attempts to that end are being made, but so far they have not been consolidated into a single, authoritative organisation.

Diplomas no value

Innumerable diplomas and "degrees" of a kind are issued to practitioners, but few of these parchments have any real value.

The two certificates, however, which can be taken as of the highest standard are those issued to successful students by the London County Council Clinic at Chelsea, and by the Incorporated Society of Chiropodists. The Chelsea Clinic is the only one in this country which is under a public authority.

Many of the clinics and foot "hospitals" now in operation are simply cloaks for selling appliances and apparatus. Suffering makes the patients easy victims, and disillusionment follows swiftly. The pain the patients hoped to lose remains, and their pockets are the lighter by the cost of worthless implements of supposed "cure."

Some foot hospitals in London and the larger towns advertise free advice and treatment, and undoubtedly do admirable work. But there are other unqualified practitioners, whose promise of "free treatment" is just a snare for the unwary.

The patients at their first "free" consultation find they have to meet a bill for dressings and drugs. The "free" offer is in such instances an advertising dishonesty.

In certain other clinics patients are handed over to unskilled assistants to receive elaborate massage and electrical treatment. The peril of such establishments is obvious.

By the ill-advised use of electrical apparatus, immeasurable harm may be caused. Yet this electrical treatment is regularly given in chiropody rooms by assistants who have no real technical knowledge of the dangerous apparatus they are using.

With the increased demand for foot treatment, comes another class of commercial venture. That is the instruction of would-be chiropodists by correspondence.

It is hard to understand how a thorough training of the medical art of chiropody can be obtained by such a method. What a student needs is a year or more of intensive tuition and practical experience at an approved clinic, with finally a completely testing examination.

Yet students who have filled the requirements of some inadequate correspondence school can set up as "orthopædic specialists" or under some other flamboyant title, and experiment on the public.

A further warning is necessary. People who contemplate training should be most careful before parting with fees to organisations which undertake the training of students. Before doing so, they should be at pains to discover first if the individuals who profess to teach the chiropody are qualified to do so, and secondly, if on completion of training the diploma to which they may be entitled is of any practical value.

Luckless students

Another pitfall exists in connection with such schools—their financial stability. Recently two schools of much room growth went bankrupt, and the unlucky students were unable to complete their instruction term or to obtain a proportionate refund of fees.

Beyond all question, the multiplication of unskilled and inadequately trained chiropodists is fraught with peril to the public.

The only real safeguard would be the formation of a Government registry of chiropodists, but for that legislation would be needed. Until such a register is established by law, county and borough authorities can do much towards remedying the present intolerable state of affairs.

They can enquire into the qualifications of all who practise or desire to practise chiropody. They can issue licences to those who are approved. A plan such as this has been adopted in the City of London, in the London County area, and in Essex.

No chiropodist should be permitted to treat the public unless fully trained and experienced.

Until some such provisions are enforced, the remedy rests with the public. A sufferer should look twice at the "foot doctor"! Those individuals who issue highly coloured advertisements, promising cures for every kind of foot ailment should be passed over.

There are, of course, innumerable chiropodists who have received adequate training and practical experience and can be of the greatest assistance to patients.

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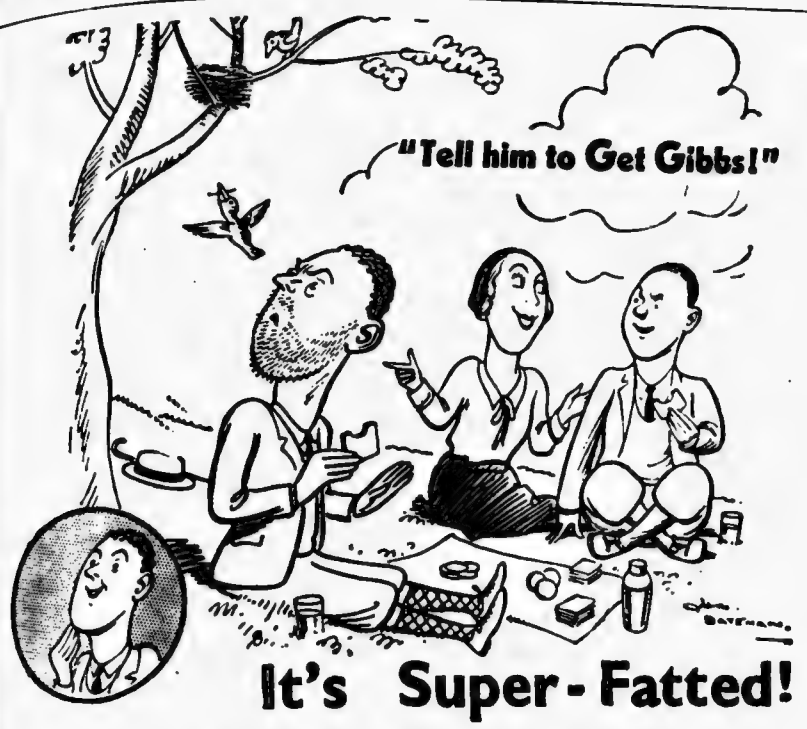

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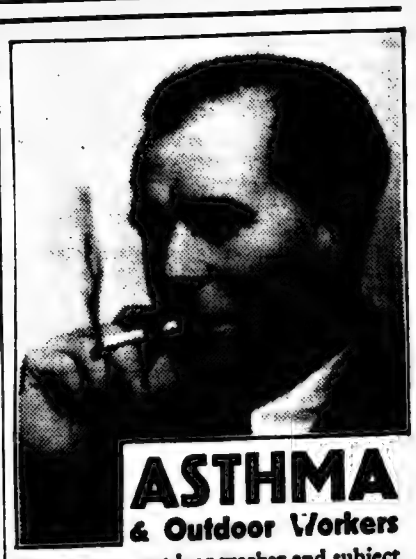

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First Thing Mr. Baldwin Should Do

THE first thing Mr. Baldwin should do is answer Ronnie Berston's cry from the grave, by appointing a Commission to enquire into the grave scandal of ill-treatment meted out by employers to the unfortunate boys and girls released to them on licence.

Mr. Baldwin is universally regarded as a humanitarian, and would not, I am sure, require to be bullied into doing away with this twentieth century "slave trafficking."

If only he will make this his first job, he will earn the gratitude, not only of the victims themselves, but also of every decent man and woman in England; and Ronnie Berston won't have died in vain. —*A. E. G.-S., Liverpool.*

TRAIN MAGISTRATES

He should insist upon a definite training for all magistrates prior to their taking their place upon the Bench. It is not sufficient that a man should be a popular citizen, successful business man, or recognised Churchman.

Daily one reads of well-intentioned magistrates inflicting sentences which are neither logical nor just. The time has assuredly come when the magistrate should be as highly trained as the policeman, or lawyer, for his work.

The present methods adopted for the appointing of magistrates are wholly inadequate for such important work.—*D. V., Birmingham.*

STOP IT!

Stop the Commissions racket. Governments for years have been adopting the time-worn dodge of shelving vital issues by appointing Commissions to investigate various matters.

Heaven alone knows how many there are still sitting, and have been doing so for years past. The time has come when some "rounding-up" of these overdue reports is necessary; when this diplomatic means of shelving public demands should be dispensed with.

Investigation is certainly necessary before sweeping reforms are made law, but for too long have Commissions which take years to reach a decision retarded our progress.—*J. T., Staffs.*

TITHE MUDDLE

To clear up the tithe muddle seems to be the most important subject on the national agenda, and Mr. Baldwin will earn the good will of everyone if he can offer a solution that will be satisfactory to both tithe owners and the farmers.

All over the country bitterness is growing, and that is not good for the interests of either the Church or the nation.

Here is an opportunity for real statesmanship, and if the result of Mr. Baldwin's intervention be a successful effort for peace, great joy will be manifested throughout the countryside.—*E. H., Camden Town.*

"NEW DEAL"

Mr. Baldwin should take the lead in giving the agricultural workers a "new deal." This neglected section of our population have been left to fend for themselves when unemployed, without insurance or any means of security.

When employment ceases they are thrown on Public Assistance, and are faced with the threat of the workhouse. An Unemployment Insurance Act for Agricultural Workers should be passed immediately. With it should go the "tied cottage," a mediæval institution contrary to all justice.

Mr. Baldwin, in advocating this, will receive the wholehearted support of the country he loves so well.—*A. G., Edgware.*

SERIOUS POSITION

The startling facts revealed before the Armaments Commission have proved very disquieting to the lovers of peace and those who abhor intrigue.

The position is serious enough to warrant action forthwith to prevent arm[a]ment firms in this country further e[n]couraging and exploiting wars and [the] armaments race. Mr. Baldwin's first ta[sk] should be that of nationalising this i[n]dustry or at least placing it under t[he] supervision of the Government.

By taking direct action immediately [he] would win favour with the majority [of] the electors, who would be greatly r[e]lieved at his putting on a prop[er] basis the manufacture of arms.—*M. C., Mon.*

RAISE AGE

July will see hundreds [of] trained teachers anxious [to] secure posts. After years of e[x]pensive training they will jo[in] the ranks of the unemployed. [There] will also thousands of childr[en] leaving school.

If the school-leaving age w[ere] raised to fifteen, not only would teachers find work, but th[e] children would have a bett[er] chance of becoming really ed[u]cated.

For once, Mr. Baldwin shou[ld] do the obvious, and raise th[e] school-leaving age to fifteen.—*E. R. B., Chester.*

MAKE IT CLEAR

In the House there are ma[ny] who are betraying the trust r[e]posed in them by the electorat[e]. The new Premier should make [it] clear that Members who atte[nd] only at their convenience shou[ld] stop the practice at once.

The scandal of dilatory atten[d]ance disgusts millions. Th[e] country is a business that nee[ds] a full staff attendance. M[r.] Baldwin should enforce that.—*Mrs. A., West Riding.*

SUBMIT PROPOSALS

Mr. Baldwin has now the o[p]portunity of undoing the wo[rst] thing he ever did—the mistak[e] he made about our repayme[nt] of War Debts. He should no[w] press for an immediate revisi[on] with a view to general cancell[a]tion.

War debts have been respo[n]sible for most of the world d[e]pression. There is evidence that Americ[a], the biggest creditor, is willing to co[n]sider proposals; Mr. Baldwin's first j[ob] should be to formulate those proposa[ls] and submit them.—*T. A. C., Brighton.*

NATIONALISE THEM

Nationalise the Railways and Mine[s], both of which are equally essential publ[ic] services, and as such should, in compa[ny] with the Post Office, be directly und[er] Governmental control.

Upon no other two industries does th[e] trade of the country so much depe[nd]. They are the pivots upon which th[e] wheels of commerce revolve, for witho[ut] coal or transport the life of the nati[on] would be paralysed.

Is it then logical to allow such vit[al] services to be in any other hands th[an] those of the State itself?—"*Jubil[ee] Engine*," *Bristol.*

SAFER MOTHERHOOD

Women want safer motherhood, and w[e] look to Mr. Baldwin to see that we get [it]. We want clinics, not only in the citie[s] but also in the villages, where too oft[en] births are left to chance.

We want more maternity wards, so th[at] every expectant mother who becomes [an] emergency case will have a chance [to] pull through.

The ever increasing maternity dea[th] roll must stop. It should be Mr. Bal[d]win's first task, in which he cannot [be] better than to be guided by Mrs. Baldw[in].—*Miss D., Cornwall.*

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The first thing he should do is to i[n]duce Parliament to rescind the propos[al] that the cost of building the new Waterl[oo] Bridge should fall upon the ra[te]payers of London.—*H. J. R., Manchester.*

Race with "Silver Ring"

The Pitmen's Derby

TWO important big races closely follow Royal Ascot—the Northumberland Plate, popularly known as the "Pitmen's Derby," and the Newbury Summer Cup.

The "Geordies" turn up in force for the local Derby in the North; it has been a standing dish on the Newcastle programmes for almost a hundred years, and it is one of the big events in which the Northerners usually saddle something good enough to beat the "invaders" from the South.

Underhand won the race on three occasions and proved the runner-up at his fourth attempt. This one was trained at Spigot Lodge, and in his day horses here were tested by chasing them with greyhounds!

M. D. Peacock, the Squire of Middleham, has won the race four or five times. Moneybox is his representative for the coming contest. The son of Winalot has won his two races this season, but I would prefer to take a chance with the Manchester winner, St. Hubert.

H. Peacock, a son of M. D., is responsible for St Hubert. The colt incurred a 5-lb. penalty for his win at Castle Irwell, but as he put up 2 lb. overweight on that occasion he will not have much more to shoulder.

The best of the "invaders" may be Satsuma and Spade.

The Newbury Summer Cup is likely to be won by Quai D'Orsay. A fine, big horse, he is by Town Guard, who used to run in Lord Woolavington's colours.

Backers who have a bad Ascot should make a note of Lost Soul, Masticate and Trio at the Windsor meeting.

"SILVER RING'S" CODE

The Code for this week is as follows. It covers the racing from Thursday, June 20, to Wednesday, June 26.

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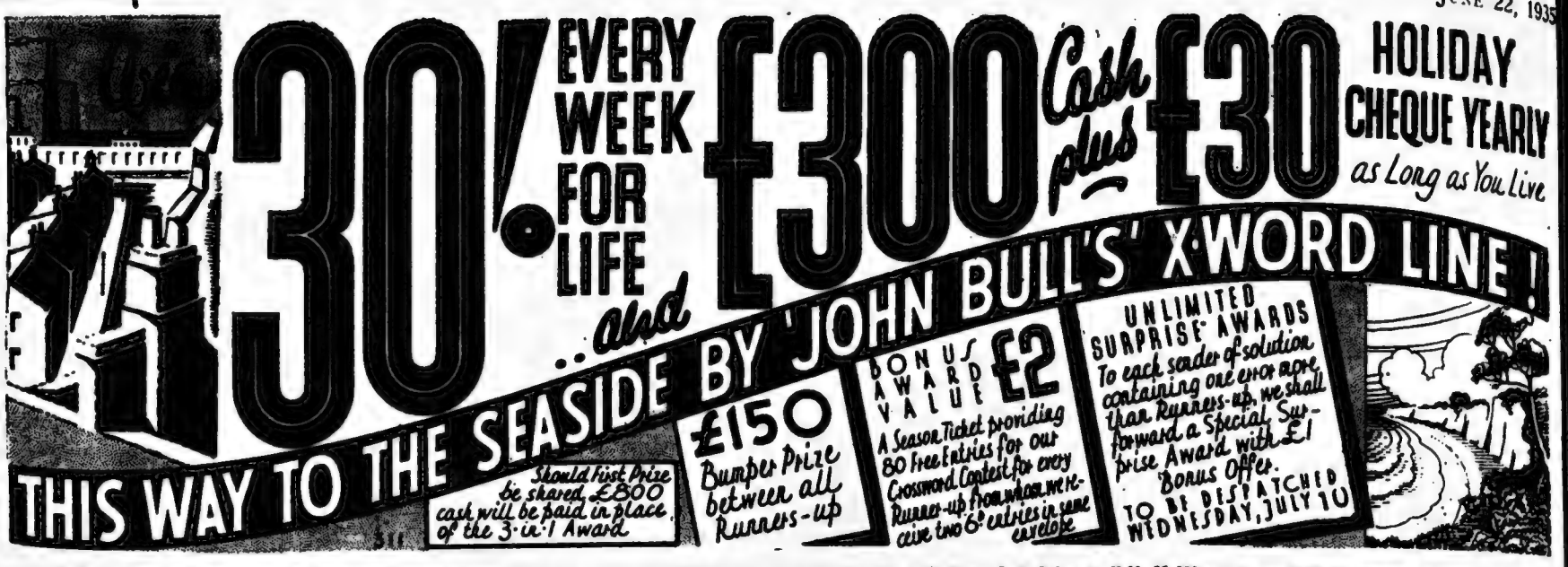
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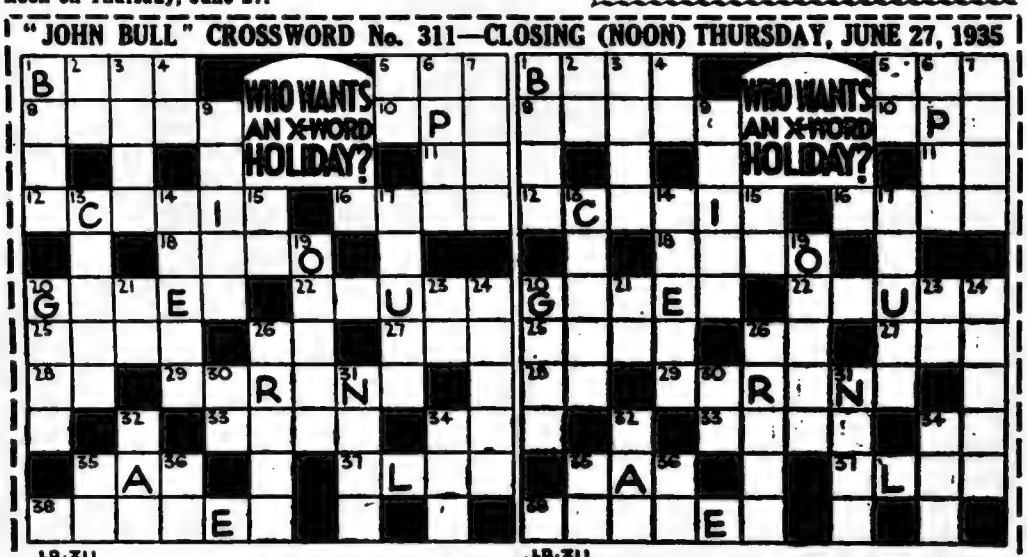

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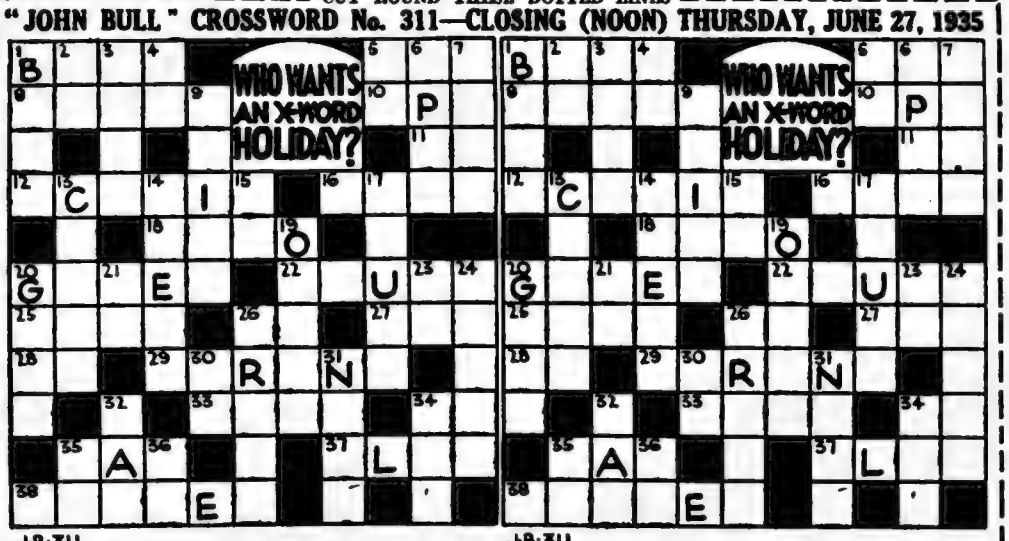

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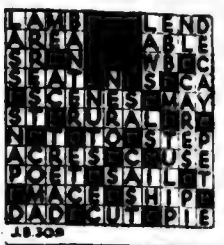
Solution of "John Bull" X-Word No. 309.

Winners in Crossword No. 308 appear in page 29. Winners in Crossword No. 309 will be published next week. The solution of "John Bull" Crossword No. 309 is given herewith as a matter of interest to our Crossword Competitors. We wish to emphasise that no claims are required, as all entries are carefully examined by our staff.



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STUDY THESE CLUES

ACROSS

1. May contain golf clubs—or golfers
5. Few do this and get a decent living
8. Amount of fare making taxi-man groan
10. One takes health waters here
11. Take something off both ends of limb
12. You get thrills on this kind of railway at fun fair
16. Often mars marriage prospects
18. Shout in a cave and you'll probably hear it
20. Scholar learns Latin and this
22. It's annoying to have tricks taken with this
25. Grows at river's edge
26. Chop one end off chop
27. Just look!
28. Second half of this
29. Cool, calm and collected
33. Tells big winner of his success
34. Tail of newt
35. Laps up milk—and scandal
37. Expresses sorrow
38. Are sometimes presented to celebrity visiting hospital

DOWN

1. Can cause you great discomfort
2. Take T off what Chancellor puts on tea
3. Steady one shows absence of nervousness
4. Beginning of Scotland
5. Knock the stuffing out of boss
6. Poem written in lofty style
7. Country rabbit is never this
9. Fake auctioneer's prices are actually this
13. Good mother is never without these
14. Things you lack
15. As 26 across
17. Dolls are often used to
19. Second of two
20. Is spreading over Britain's face
21. Curtail that slippery fish
23. First half of meal
24. Warehouses dispose of these
26. They do erring schoolboy no good
30. One letter fewer than few
31. Spectacles should be to the eye
32. Has greatest power when skilfully handled
34. Is often to make an impression
35. Cut something off cut
36. Extremes of this meet here

READ THESE RULES AND CONDITIONS.

1.—Complete puzzle in ordinary ink, not copying ink or copying-ink pencil, cut out the whole entry form, whether both puzzle squares are used or not. Entry fee for two squares is SIXPENCE. For four squares send ONE SHILLING. Make Postal Order payable to Odhams Press Ltd. and cross it "/& Co./"; write name and address and date of posting on back of P.O., and fill in the number upon Entry Form; send Entry Form by post as directed, to reach us not later than NOON, Thursday, June 27, 1935.

2.—In addition to two sixpenny entry forms from "John Bull" each entrant may submit TWO EXTRA SIXPENNY ENTRY FORMS, provided these are taken from "John Bull's" free weekly "Crossword Gazette." No entrant may submit more than TWO ENTRY FORMS from "John Bull" plus TWO from "Crossword Gazette."

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3.—Winner of this contest will appear in "John Bull" on sale Thursday, July 11, 1935. Should any competitor not announced as a winner have entered a coupon eligible for a share of the First Prize, he must demand a scrutiny by first post Tuesday, July 23, 1935, in accordance with directions given with result. Any such scrutiny which may amend the result must be accepted as final. No scrutiny can be conducted in connection with the Runners-up prize of £150. Accordingly entries are accepted only on condition that the result of our double searches establishing these winners is regarded as final. Errors are computed according to the number of words which wrongly answer the Clues given.

4.—In the event of a tie, a prize will be divided, but no competitor may receive more than one award per contest. Should first prize be shared £800 cash will be paid instead of the three-in-one award.

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NEWSAGENT'S PRIZE.

A special prize of £5 will be awarded to the Newsagent from whom this contest's first prize winner usually purchases his copy of "John Bull."

The Editor Laughs Last

OBERT (Bath).—"What will television mean to people with wireless sets?" Additional expense.

CAREFUL (Taunton).—"I put as much I possibly can afford each week into surance." Yours is a good policy.

G. J. (Liverpool).—"Nothing has quite same effect on a woman as a sea ise." Unless smoking a pipe.

TAILOR (Regent Street).—"An outfit- g firm I know is selling a tweed suit 17s. 6d. Is it fair?" Is it tweed?

'DOMESTIC' (Chelsea).—"Artists make worst masters." We should have d they were model employers.

PSYCHOLOGIST (Hampstead). — "As a , roadmenders are easily led." They certainly always being roped in.

R. L. (Pontefract).—"I've always had a t for writing articles like the enclosed." t you won't get one this time.

CHEMIST (Cardiff).—"I am hurrying to fect something that will wipe out the rden beetle." Step on it!

D. N. S. (Swansea).—"I have longed to ve the right to call myself the light- ight champion." You will need a left well to be able to do so.

C. D. (Hull).—"It is absurd to say that ying for money makes a game of cards re enjoyable." We are usually dealt nds like that, too.

PSYCHOLOGIST (Kensington).—"Noise is sponsible for the loss of a great deal time." Burglars are often forcibly re- nded of that.

V. C. N. (Hayes).—"I wrote a whole- e article on 'The Human Hair,' but y half a column appeared." The itor apparently cut it.

N. (York).—"Do you know why I uld rather hear a good street singer an a concert artist?" It's cheaper for e thing.

STUDENT (London, W.).—"If we con- er the population of these islands a ndred and fifty years ago . . ." But ely there's no need to do so.

GARDENER (Watton.)—"When is the t time to water my garden?" Imme- iately before it starts to rain, for there ll then be no need to continue.

I. R. (Liverpool).—"All the modern girl es for is how to possess expensive hats d fine silk stockings." Working for her n ends.

PILOT (Heston).—"The passengers I e taken up have been quite good tem- ed." It's quite understandable that y had no wish to fall out with you.

LEN (Towcester).—"The cheap battery bought for my cycle lamp has lasted nger than the expensive ones." As a nsequence your expenses are lighter.

T. H. T. (Uxbridge).—"No man ever t into trouble for going straight." less, of course, he does it at more than irty miles per hour in a built-up area.

CRICKETER (Padstow).—"I am six feet inches tall and my captain often puts e behind the wicket keeper to take high uncing balls." So you're a long stop, ?

B. M. (London, E.).—"There is some- ing radically wrong when one police- n is expected to keep his eye on fifty blic-houses." Too many bars to the at?

D. C. (London, W.).—"When something nt wrong with the overture, the con- ctor turned his back on the orchestra disgust." Instead of facing the music e a man.

UNCLE (Cambridge). — "My young phew causes more nuisance than ough and then expects pocket money the end of the week." You're finding n a handful?

SAM (Streatham).—"Reading about ck Hobbs, I remember when the news at he was out for a 'duck' was on all e newspaper placards." Much ado about thing.

MRS. T. (Bridgwater).—"My husband terribly mean, though there's no ason for it. He's a highly paid engi- er." His job may be the cause of his y giving money away with a wrench.

ANNOYED (Hampstead).—"I hid my dog der the charabanc seat when starting my holidays, but the driver told me couldn't do that and I had to return me." You couldn't get away with it.

DOWSER (Northam).—"There is one job at does not require years of apprentice- ip and discipline—that of a water viner." But surely that requires a lot drilling to obtain results?

TRAVELLER (Plymouth).—"My firm will ot allow me to use a taxi and I estimate walk at least twelve miles daily, carrying bag of heavy samples." That's carrying he thing too far.

Culturist (Eastbourne): "I have found an infallible method for increasing the length of the neck." Our dentist has known one for a long time.

THE KID

CURIOUS (Brentford).—"Do fish eat much?" Not while we're fishing.

PROUD (Newcastle).—"Success runs in my blood." In winning vein then.

GEO. S. (Bury).—"Quite frankly, my wife leaves me standing." Outside shops?

D. N. (Ramsgate).—"Although you might not know it, most flowers sleep at night." In their beds?

G. S. (Bolton).—"My feet were hot so I put on my socks inside out." You turned the hose on them.

J. L. (Andover).—"Because I can't pay the bill, they've cut off my telephone." Then it's no use talking.

OCTOGENARIAN (Epsom).—"The younger generation to-day are bone lazy and I wonder what next they will be getting up to." Lunch.

CAMPER (East Grinstead).—"There is nothing harder than trying to open a sardine tin without the patent key." Unless it is trying to open one with it.

BACHELOR (Upminster).—"I consider that the 1935 girl is better all round." Nevertheless, she continues to slim.

R. T. (W.1).—"When I started the only thing I possessed was intelligence." You started in a small way?

D. S. (Hitchin).—"It is very unwise to run on a very hot day." Our butter doesn't care!

T. J (Elstree).—"An actor is always in the limelight." Even when he is screened?

AIRMAN (Calshot).—"Say what we like, autogiros have come to stay." But they are built to go.

C. K. (Bristol).—"The wife is the keystone of the family." Supported, of course, by the husband.

DOCTOR (Harrow).—"In spite of all I see I still think life is well worth while." You've no complaints?

B. S. (Grimsby).—"You can take it from me that plaice is the most nutritious fish one can eat." And that's flat!

NEWLYWED (Uttoxeter).—"I told her I wouldn't eat her Yorkshire pudding, and that was flat!" What, the pudding?

SURVEYOR (Dartford).—"After years of hard struggling, I have now reached the peak of my career." Monarch of all you survey, as it were.

ILLUSIONIST (Egham).—"I have joined a local cricket team and made twenty runs in my first game." You have no illusions on that score?

GLADYS (Streatham). — "The average young man of to-day can't see what is going on under his nose." Otherwise he'd shave it off?

MRS. H. (Bromley).—"I told my husband that the car would not take us far, and it broke down after two miles." So you were not far out.

OPERATIVE (Slough).—"I am sick of my job in a wireless factory here, which consists of drilling holes before the sets are assembled." A thoroughly boring job.

HORTICULTURIST (Dundee).—"A lawn-mower left out in the rain soon becomes quite useless for work." This is a tip worth remembering.

ARCHY (Acton).—"When I caught the pickpocket in the very act of stealing my wallet, he pleaded absentmindedness." He meant to say he did it in a moment of abstraction.

P. L. (Margate).—"My son, aged twelve, made me feel small when he beat me at golf in front of my friends." Still, you had your chance to beat him when you reached home.

VARIETY PRODUCER (West End).—"My directors and I got a bad fright when a famous acrobat went on the stage drunk and couldn't do a thing right." He gave you an awful turn?

HARRY (Clifton).—"The doctor has ordered me to the seaside because I've lost my appetite and can't sleep." If the holiday doesn't cure you, you'll have to marry the girl.

F. K. (Southend-on-Sea).—"I can't leave a girl in charge of my ice-cream stall, because she wants to flirt all the time." And with ice-cream, of course, melting glances are dangerous.

H. H. M. (London, S.W.1).—"I bought a car for my wife, who is a well-known soprano, three years ago, and disposed of it to a dealer the other day for 10s." So you bought it for a singer and sold it for a song.

G. C. (Streatham).—"Do you think a girl should allow a man to pay for her outings on holiday?" Well, nobody could object to JOHN BULL paying for you to enjoy a Millionaire's Week at Scarborough with a friend—and with that *Bullets* First on page 39 there's £700 cash!

CANVASSER (Brighton).—"When I called at the house the occupier abused me, telling me to get off his premises, and loosed a large dog. In my haste to depart I caught my foot, losing my shoe." Then you hopped it.

W. R. (Barking).—"A friend of mine tried to do a kindness by showing a man where one of our local townspeople resides. He went there with the enquirer and actually knocked on the door for him. The door opened and a fist shot out, knocking my friend practically senseless." It proves he went to too much trouble.

(Many replies unavoidably held over)

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FATHER can take them for a REAL HOLIDAY NOW!

A YOUNG commercial traveller, when on his round in Cornwall, had been watching the Atlantic rollers as they swept up towards the broad sandy beach at Perranporth.

"Just the place for a holiday, this!" he said to a customer in the village. "If ever I have the opportunity I'll bring my wife and two boys down here."

"If ever . . ." were his words—but today he is actually making plans for that ideal family holiday. When sitting at lunch with his wife one recent Friday, you see, a telegram arrived for Mr. E. E. Vellam, 9, Fairfield Terrace, Newton Abbot.

Its thrilling message from JOHN BULL was the news that he had won the fine First prize of £600 cash in *Bullets* Competition No 984.

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"I've been entering regularly for two years," Mr. Vellam told me, writes a JOHN BULL representative who called for a chat with this big winner. "But before this big success, my highest prize was one of 5s. which I won last January."

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Chatting about his thoughtful *Bullet*, NOT ONLY—"PLEASE, GOD"—*Please* GOD! this winner said he had aimed at expressing a simple idea in simple fashion, a winning method learnt from a study of *Bullets Bulletin*.

"Without the *Bulletin*," declared this winner, "I should never have won this £600 cheque. competitor can really afford to be w out it."

To the pleasure of enjoying the r real holiday in their married life, Mr. a Mrs. Vellam will be able to add the e joyment of a wireless set and the kno ledge that their boys' future is secured.

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The morning after Mr. Vellam learnt his success, breakfast was a merry m for another commercial traveller, Mr. W. Brown, 54, Cranston Gardens, Sou Chingford, E.4. A registered letter fr JOHN BULL had just brought the ne that his ingenious *Bullet*, OLD-FASHIO SHOPKEEPER—I PREFER "TO TRUST," h won him the Second Prize of £50 in Co test No. 984.

"My winning *Bullet*, written on 'Target' coupon, was only my four entry this year," said Mr. Brown. "I ha been competing for two years, but n very regularly.

"This £50 cheque will be a big hel he went on, "and will also give me my work, someth different to t about." To ot competitors, Mr. Bro offered this good adv "Read *Bullets Bulletin*," he urge "Studying it carefu will show any compe tor what the judg want."

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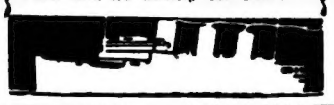

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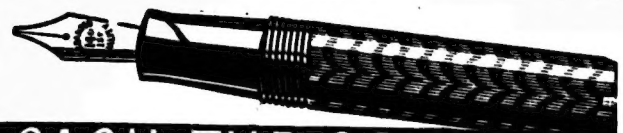

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MOTHER'S NEEDLE
PIERCING YELL
MERE FLEABITE
RUNAWAY VICTORY
BOILING OVER
WHEN SONNY GETS THERE
MURDERERS
"HERE WE GO!"
DISMISSED
IN COMPANY
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STRANGE RESEMBLANCE
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EXAMPLE
BULLET

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EXAMPLE
BULLET
EXAMPLE
BULLET

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EXAMPLE
BULLET
EXAMPLE
BULLET

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EXAMPLE
BULLET
EXAMPLE
BULLET

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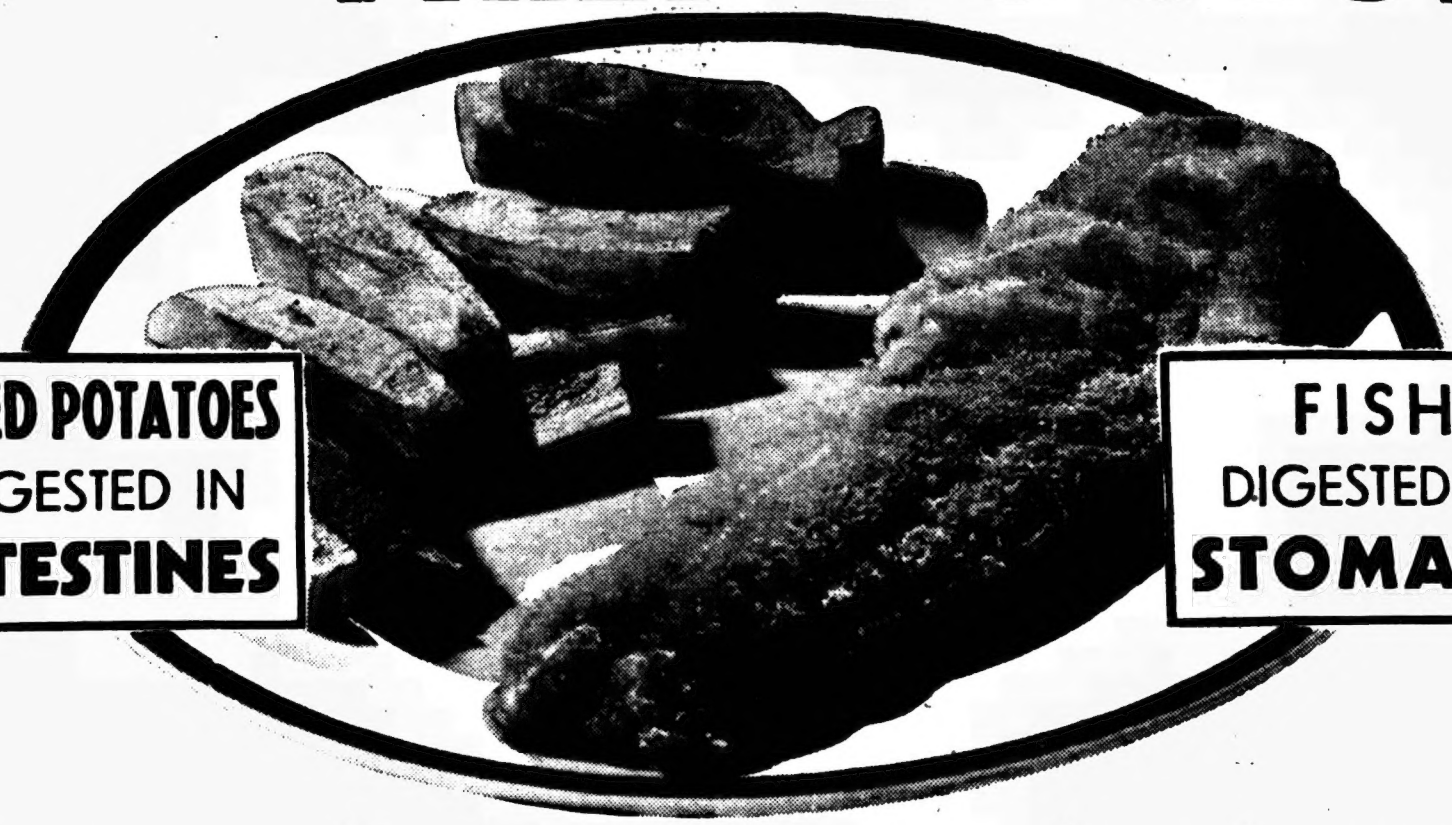

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